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CHINA'S FIGHTING
SPIRIT UNIMPAIRED

Fierce Counter-Attacks On Japanese Lines.

FOREIGN SHIPS
ALLOWED
THROUGH PEARL
RIVER BARRIER

Canton, To-day.

All foreign merchant vessels, together with the river gunboat H.M.S. Cicala, which had been bottled up in the Pearl River for the past week, slipped through the narrow opening in the second bar shortly after sunrise this morning.

Reuter's correspondent from a Jardine's tug, which was standing by in order to render assistance to vessels of all nationalities, watched the imposing array of 19 vessels, representing many million dollars worth of tonnage and stretching miles up river, cross the barrier in single file led by the Chungking, which followed the pilot through at 6.25 a.m.

LESS THAN HOUR

The final ships crossed the barrier at 7.17.

The barrier represents a wide stretch of shallow water with the mast heads of sunken vessels visible at various points.

No Japanese planes appeared throughout the whole proceeding but the air raid alarm sounded at Whampoa at 9 o'clock.

It is understood that passage of the boom was made by special arrangement with the Chinese authorities.—Reuter.

Canton, To-day.

The all clear signal sounded at 9.45 a.m.—Reuter.

NINETEEN THROUGH

Canton, To-day.

Nineteen foreign-owned vessels which have been tied up in Canton since the beginning of the month owing to the blockade of the mouth of the Pearl River by the Chinese authorities, were safely piloted through the barricade by special pilot boats at Bocca Tigris early this morning following a petition by the ships' officials to Admiral Chan Chak.

Admiral Chan advised all foreign-owned vessels yesterday morning to move down the river and stated that

JAPANESE ADMIT LOSS
OF THE INITIATIVEATTEMPTS TO TAKE
NORTH STATION
COLLAPSE

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese forces on the Shanghai front are continuing their counter-attacks on the Japanese lines, demonstrating, in the opinion of foreign military observers, that in spite of the Japanese superiority in artillery and aircraft, their fighting spirit is unimpaired.

The Chinese batteries in Pootung continue to blaze away at Hongkew and the Japanese are unable to silence the gunners.

The Japanese have made another desperate attempt to capture the North Station, and though isolated groups of men managed to approach to the square outside the station, the Chinese were never in danger of being driven out and repulsed the enemy, with, it is believed, heavy losses.

The Japanese military attache admitted to journalists yesterday that the gallant and unexpected Chinese counter-attacks had prevented the Japanese from retaining the initiative in Chapei and on the Lotien-Liuhang sector.

General Matsui, the Japanese commander-in-chief, in his proclamation forecasting a major offensive, said that "we will show no mercy to those who take up arms against us."—Trans-Ocean.

he would allow the barrier to be lifted for a period of 30 minutes to allow the vessels to depart for their destinations.

Owing to the air-raid on Canton yesterday the opening of the barrier was delayed.

The vessels carried no passengers but some of them are reported to have large quantities of mail on board.—Our Own Correspondent.

TAISHAN THROUGH

Among the foreign-owned vessels which left the Pearl River were the s.s. Taishan, s.s. Tung On, s.s. Kwangtung, s.s. Shing To, s.s. Ninghai, s.s. Chung King, s.s. Kiang Su and s.s. Tin Yat.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHOLERA'S
SPREAD TO
JAPAN

Singapore, To-day.

The fighting in China is contributing to the spread of cholera in the Far East, says the Report of the League of Nations Health Officer here.

The Report says that the epidemic in Hong Kong is virtually over, while it is dying in Shanghai, but that it is increasing in Indo-China and has even spread to Japan.—Reuter.

JAPANESE PLANE
LOSSES IN
SEPTEMBER

Shanghai, To-day.

According to official figures, the Chinese shot down 48 Japanese planes in September.

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18 YEARS OF CIVIL AVIATION

British air transport has just celebrated the eighteenth anniversary of the establishment by British enterprise, between London and Paris, of the world's first daily air service for the carriage of passengers and freight.

In 1919, the 250 miles London-Paris route represented the total mileage of regularly-operated British air services. To-day—epitomising eighteen years of air travel progress—the aircraft of Imperial Airways, and of its subsidiary and associated companies, are flying over just on 30,000 miles of European and Empire routes.

THE FIRST SERVICE

The first London-Paris air service operated so reliably that, within three months of its inception, the Post Office entrusted it with the carriage of mails. At that time it cost half-a-crown to send a letter by air from London to Paris. To-day, one can send a half-ounce letter for 8,000 miles, from England to South Africa, for a fee of only 1½d.

Eighteen years of progress with British commercial aircraft may be summarised by comparing the land-planes and flying-boats of 1919 with those of 1937. The first single-engined 360 h.p. London-Paris plane carried a pilot, two passengers, and a small freight load at a speed of about 80 miles an hour; while the single-engined 450 h.p. type of commercial flying-boat, as used on the pioneer marine service between Southampton and the Channel Islands, carried a pilot and six passengers at about the same speed.

NEW FLYING-BOATS

To-day, in contrast to that, a land-plane air-liner of the new 'Ensign' class—now being completed for Imperial Airways—is driven by four engines developing a total of 3,200 h.p. It will attain a speed of 200 miles an hour, and, as equipped for use on European air-

lines, will provide luxurious saloon accommodation for 40 passengers, in addition to a crew of five.

As for eighteen years' progress with marine aircraft, and taking as a present-day example an Empire flying-boat of the 'C' class, the four-engined power-plants of these big machines develop a total of approximately 3,000 h.p. and they can attain a speed of 200 miles an hour; while they are the first British commercial aircraft to be fitted with

sleeping-berths for night air travel. In addition to a crew of five, they provide luxurious saloon accommodation for 27 passengers on day stages, with sleeping-accommodation for 16 when operating at night. They also carrying nearly three tons of mails.



The beach serves as a gun park at Doniford, near Minehead, Somerset, where the 57th Wessex Brigade R.A. (T.A.) are in camp. They have been carrying out anti-aircraft exercises. Photo shows—A striking picture of a R.A.F. plane towing a target over the camp. The plane co-operated in anti-aircraft exercises and the target seen here is actually extended a distance of a quarter of a mile on wire when guns are in operation. (Fox Copyright).



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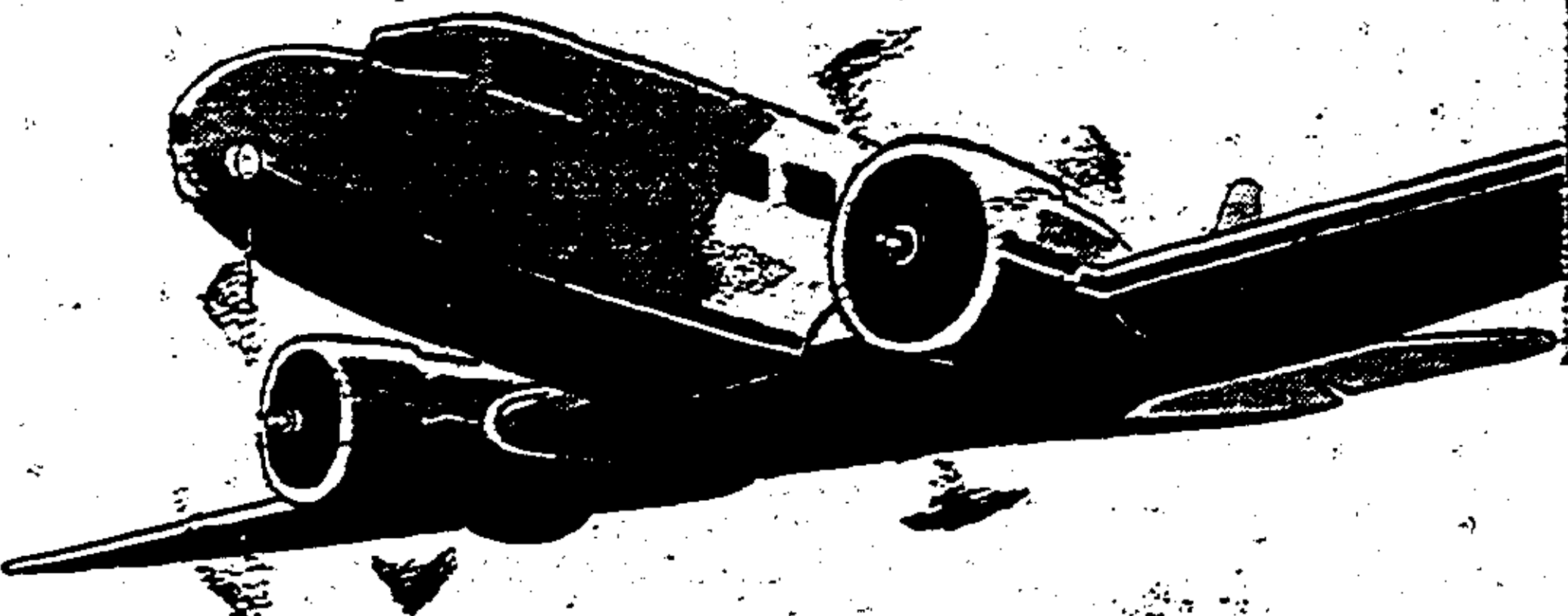
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Valse Bluet—Air De Ballet (Drigo).
A Venetian Barcarolle—Serenade (arr. P. Willoughby).
12.45 p.m.—John Goss (Baritone) & Cathedral Male Voice Quartet. Nous Irons A Valparaiso (Pares & van Parys).
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1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Variety.
Male Voices—
Love Me A Little To-day (Herbert & Brodsky).
Congo Lullaby (film 'Sanders of the River').

Comedy Harmonists.
Vocal w. Piano—
Was It Rain? (Hirsch & Handman).
When The Harvest Moon Is Shining (Wilfred & Swaine).
Turner Layton.
Piano—
A Little White Room ('Floodlight'—Beverley Nichols).
'Floodlight'—Medley.
Vivian Ellis.
Humorous—
No News—Frank Crumit.
Vocal—
Waltzing Matilda (An Australian Song) (Paterson, Cowan, arr. Wood).
A Shanty In A One Horse Town.
The Hill Billies.

The Gipsy (Crows).
Praise Of Wales (Gairionydd & Wwlyd)... William Edwards with Harp accompaniment.
The Little Thatched Cottage (Roberts)... Leila Magne (Contralto).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—London Relay—'London Log' by Walter Fitzgerald.
8.15 p.m.—Compositions of Franz Lehar.
The Merry Widow—Selection.
De Groot & His Orchestra.
My Every Thought, My One Desire.
Loveliest Of Women (From 'Giuditta')... Richard Tauber (Tenor).
'Count Of Luxembourg'—Waltz.
'The Merry Widow'—Waltz.
Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
Look And Love.
Love's Melody (film 'Love's Melody')—Marta Eggerth (Soprano).
Frasquita—Serenade.
Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.
Gypsy Love—Waltz Melodies.
Orchestra Mascotte.
8.45 p.m.—Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Deep-Sea Mariner.
McBenson's Farewell (McCall).
Son O' Mine (Wallace).
8.55 p.m.—Schumann Trio In D Minor, Op. 63. Played by Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.
9.26 p.m.—A Song by Lotte Leonard (Soprano). The Heart I Ask From Thee, Love (John S. Bach).
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News & Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill-Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
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3 p.m.—News in English.
3.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany.
4.30 p.m.—Latest records.
8 p.m.—News in English.
9.15 p.m.—Rip van Winkle (musical play in English).

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Recognition and Execution Of A Squeeze

The difficulty of squeeze plays is two fold. First, there is the need for recognizing that a squeeze position may exist and, second, having made this analysis, there remains the difficult problem of execution.

A hand from a recent team of four match in England is interesting in this respect. The declarer was shrewd enough to diagnose the situation as one calling for a squeeze, but his actual execution was faulty.

North, dealer.
East West vulnerable.

NORTH

S A 5 4
H A 8
D A J 7 4
C 6 5 4 2

WEST

S J 9
H J 6 5 4
D 10 5
C K 10 9 7 3

EAST

S 10 3 2
H 10 9 3
D K Q 9 8 2
C A Q

SOUTH

S K Q 8 7 6
H K Q 7 2
D 6 3
C J 8

In both rooms North and South arrived at a contract of four spades. In one room the diamond ten was opened and declarer had no trouble fulfilling his contract. He merely laid down the ace and king of hearts and ruffed a losing heart with one of dummy's low spades, finally conceding only two clubs and a diamond.

In the other room West hit on an opening, namely, the club ten, that made things much more difficult for declarer. East put up the ace and returned the queen. West overtook and played the ten, and on this East discarded a low heart. Declarer ruffed and logically deciding that East would not have discarded a heart if he had held four (since a discard would do no good and might give up a stopper in the suit) determined to play for a squeeze on West between hearts and clubs rather than attempt to ruff a third round of hearts with a low spade in dummy.

This was, as I have said, a sound

decision. Declarer had truly appreciated the situation as ripe for a squeeze. But he went about it badly! He drew three rounds of trumps, ending in his own hand, and then, to "thin out" all hands for the eventual squeeze, led a diamond and ducked in dummy. East won with the eight and, if he had been so indiscreet as to return the diamond king, the squeeze would have come off. But East saw the danger of this and returned the ten of hearts, whereupon West could no longer be squeezed.

Now let us follow the proper execution of the squeeze. On ruffing the third club, declarer should immediately duck a diamond. A heart return should be won with dummy's ace and three rounds of spades taken. The situation then would be:

NORTH

S None
H 8
D A J 7
C 6

WEST

S None
H J 6 5
D 10
C 7

EAST

S None
H 9
D K Q 9 2
C None

SOUTH

S 7
H K Q 7
D 6
C None

On the lead of the seven of trump West could let go the diamond ten, but on the next play to the diamond ace would have to let go either a heart, which would solidify declarer's suit or the good seven of clubs. The point here was that declarer had to duck a diamond to "thin out" the hand or, as experts put it, "to rectify the count" while retaining the necessary entries in both hands.

TO-DAYS QUESTION

Question: Partner opened the bidding with one no trump. Is the following strong enough to raise to a third round of hearts with a low two no trump: S: K 10 6 H: Q 9 6 4 D: 9 7 4 C: Q 8 6?

Answer: Yes.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"A Star is Born", with Frederic March, Adolphe Menjou, May Robson and Lionel Stander. This glamorous story of a little country girl who came to Hollywood, faced the odds and reached the heights of stardom marks the first up to the minute story to be filmed in technicolour.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Dangerous Number", with Robert Young and Ann Sothern are the quarrelling couple this riotous new farce-romance. Reginald Owen and Cora Witherspoon are others in the topnotch comedy cast.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Captain's Kid", with Sybil Jason, May Robson, and Guy Kibbee.—A mischievous little girl with a vivid imagination, a lovable old liar and a crotchety spinster

get into a sea of trouble that makes for much hilarity in this.

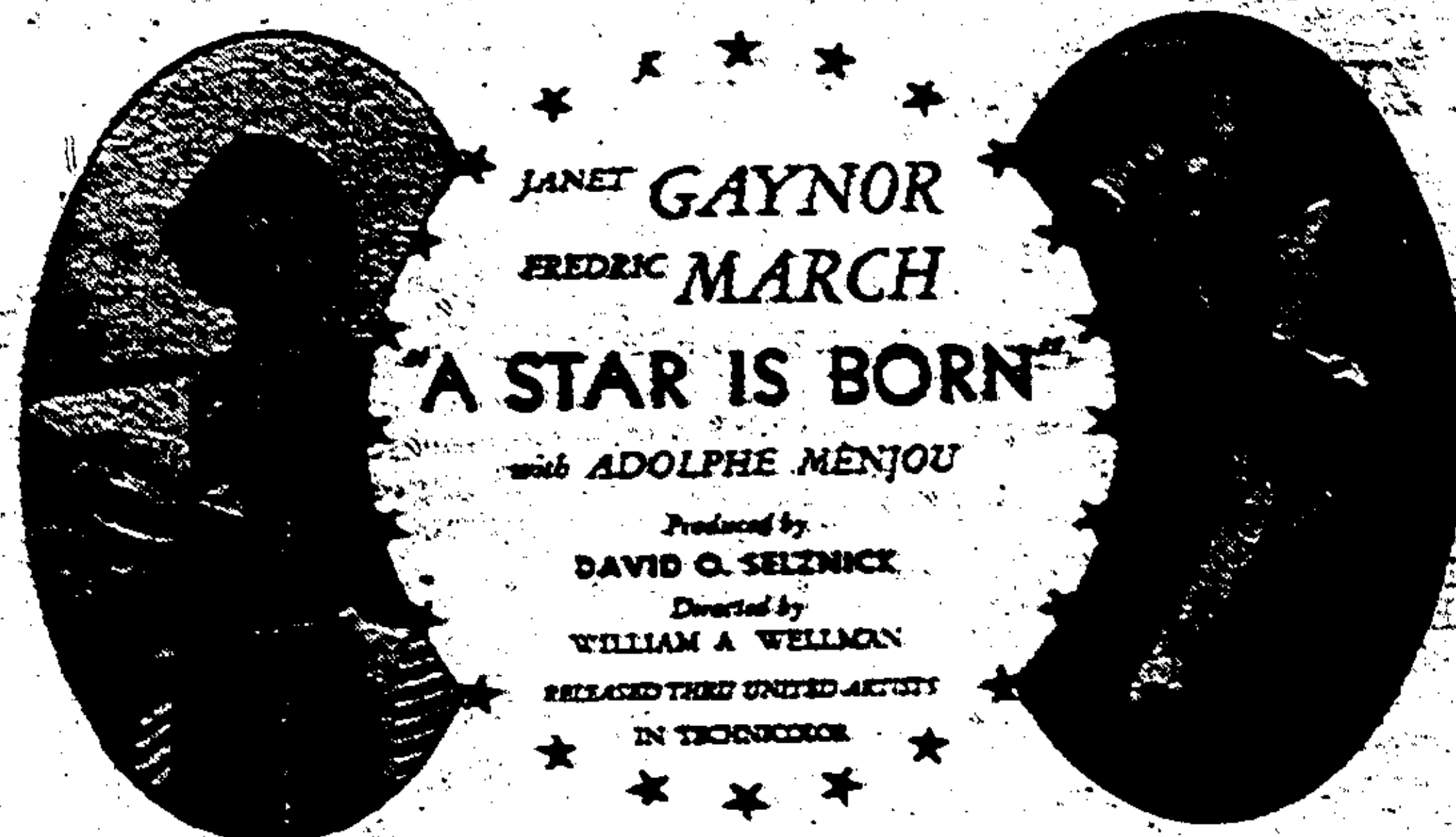
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FRUGALITY AND TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT

In view of the urgent need for funds by the International Y.M.C.A. Emergency Relief Council for the relief of the war-wounded in China, the Hong-Kong Students Relief Association have held the Frugality and Temperance Movement during the last three days. The idea was that all students should try to save as much as possible from food and other expenses during those three days and contribute the saving to the relief fund.

The response was remarkable. During the first day of the movement, \$774.42 was raised; during the second \$1238.81 and yesterday as much as \$2,424.34 was collected. The total amount was \$4,437.57.

Over two hundred students took part in forming the 'Visiting Corps' which went round to various schools to collect the contributions offered by fellow students.

The Association will hold a special meeting at Y.M.C.A. Kowloon on Wednesday next at 7.00 p.m. at which representatives from Kowloon Schools will be asked to attend to discuss the possibility of organising a branch in Kowloon.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Ruth Nash, M.B., B.S. (Sydney) has been appointed Inspector of Schools in the Education Department, with effect from October 1. Dr. Nash has also been appointed to be a member of the Midwives' Board, vice Dr. Agnes L. J. Dovey, who has resigned.

The name of Mr. E. C. Stocker has been added to the list of Authorised Architects.

REBEL AIR RAIDS IN SPAIN

Valencia, To-day.

The Spanish Government reports that three German pilots were brought down and killed by anti-aircraft guns in a Nationalist raid on Valencia.

Another was captured while a fifth escaped.

Nationalist aerial activity has been extensive during the past few days, and many women and children in Valencia have been killed by the bombings.—Reuter.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN ASTURIAS

London, To-day.

In spite of heavy storms, fighting is continuing in Asturias, and, according to reports, with heavy losses on both sides.

The Government claim not only to have resisted the Nationalist attacks but to have counter-attacked and regained their positions.

The Nationalists, on the other hands, say the counter-attacks were checked.—Reuter.

ASAMA MARU SALVAGE

It is notified for general information that His Excellency the Governor in Council has, under section 122 of the Buildings Ordinance, 1935, appointed the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. as additional or further hours between which blasts may be fired at Sai Wan Bay in connection with the salvaging of the S.S. "Asama Maru."



The British Royal research ship, the "William Scoresby," was recently in St. Katharine's Dock, Greenwich, preparing for her departure to continue her whaling operations in the Antarctic. The object of her voyage is to gather information on the movements of whales. Hundreds of whales are marked with a dart made of stainless steel; when a marked whale is taken by a whaler, the dart is sent to the London Colonial Office with particulars of the place and time the whale is caught. The finder receives a small reward. Photo shows—The "William Scoresby" in dock at Greenwich and crew gathered on board. (Fox Copyright: By Air Mail).

REPUBLICAN SPAIN IS READY TO FIGHT FOR THREE YEARS

Senor Negrin, the Spanish Republican Premier, in an interview in Valencia, reiterated strongly his confidence in the Republic's unity and its capacity to win the war.

Senor Negrin expressed his hope for decisive League action against what he termed "the offensive of the rebels and their allies not alone against us, but against all the free countries of the world."

NEW PROCEDURE NEEDED

Speaking forcibly and fluently in English, which he said was the first foreign language he had learned as a child, Senor Negrin said:

"I am convinced democracy will enjoy a great triumph ultimately. But if the victory, a victory for freedom the world over, is not to be unduly delayed, the forces of democracy must change their procedure and learn to act more decisively and effectively. At Geneva I trust to find that they have arrived at this realisation and will give our cause their unequivocal support."

"But while we hope for the help of the League, we are not neglecting our own military defence. We are fully prepared to hold out for two or three more years if necessary."

"If we have not won by that time we shall prepare to fight still longer, but for the next two or three years we are already completely prepared."

"The Government has full authority and is confident of maintaining it. Our various political parties retain their separate principles, of course, for this is a free country, but they are absolutely united in this struggle, and have shown their willingness to make great concessions for it."

"Only orderly constitutional changes will occur, as the people in free universal suffrage indicate their desire for them. Our people recognise the need for the greatest stability in this crucial period, and are expressing complete confidence in the present Government by full co-operation with it."

PROPERTY RIGHTS

Asked on what basis a compromise with the other side might be possible Senor Negrin replied: "I can see no basis for compromise short of their absolute submission to the Republic. Even if the Government wished to consider a compromise, the people would never agree to it."

"They have shown their spirit by the sacrifices they have already made, and only a free Spain under the democratic constitution will satisfy them. Those who think any other solution possible do not understand the psychology of our people."

"We have always respected the rights of private property. Any excesses that were committed at the beginning of the revolution were the acts of disorderly individuals committed in spite of our regulations; but that brief period of confusion is long over."

"Our constitution expresses our realised

full respect for private property, and you may be certain we shall continue fully to respect these constitutional rights."

LONDON'S NEW AIR PORTS

SLOW PROGRESS ON SCHEMES

NONE TO BE READY BEFORE 1940

London will have to wait three years before any of the schemes for providing it with new air ports are fulfilled.

Increasing air traffic demands improved facilities, and Croydon and Heston aerodromes are not adequate. East of London two sites are under consideration. The nearest is Fairlop, near Ilford, but the L.C.C. has a housing scheme for that area, and negotiations between the City Corporation, the local authorities, and the L.C.C. are still proceeding. This site has the advantage of being within 15 to 20 minutes from Liverpool-street by rail.

It has been reported that the Southern Railway has decided to make a big aerodrome at Lullingstone, near Eynsford, six miles south of Dartford but not a single spadeful is yet at work at the site. Lullingstone is comparatively free from fog, and the proposed aerodrome promises ample room for big air liners using radio guidance for "blind" approach. By road it is about 50 minutes from Victoria, or nearly 10 minutes longer than the run to Croydon.

PLANS FOR HESTON

Heston air port has been acquired by the Air Ministry, together with additional land, and no doubt a full-size air port will be constructed. It is already used by some inland lines, and British Airways are moving from Croydon to Heston.

It appears probable that Heston will eventually become a junction for inland air lines, and that Continental air lines at present using Croydon may transfer either to Fairlop, or to Lullingstone, at a later date, but this will hardly be possible before 1940.

London's air port for Empire services is at Hythe in Southampton Water, but this is a temporary arrangement pending the development of Langston Harbour on the Southern Electric east of Southampton.

This is already decided, but the plans are still the subject of dispute with local ratepayers. A local authority, according to a flying boat base is intended, and there is a golden opportunity for creating an air port on an imperial scale, surpassing even that at Miami, one of America's show places.

Croydon is hemmed in by houses, and hopes that Gatwick aerodrome would take much of the regular air line operations have not yet been

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GEN. MATSUI ISSUES REMARKABLE MESSAGE TO PEOPLE OF CHINA

Shanghai, To-day.

General Matsui, whose proclamation yesterday forecasting a major Japanese offensive in the near future was his first public statement since he took over command of the Japanese forces on the Shanghai front, followed this up to-day with a message addressed to the people of China.

The message says, "The sole aim of the Japanese expeditionary forces is to eradicate at any cost China's anti-Japanese policy."

"Japan bears no enmity to the Chinese people and is willing and happy to receive those Chinese who have a genuine desire for further peace in the Orient."

JAPAN DETERMINED

"Japan is determined discreetly and firmly to carry out her aim of forcing the bellicose Chinese Government and its anti-Japanese army to alter its attitude."

Continuing, General Matsui says, "China has persisted in provoking Japan, who has hitherto borne these provocations with patience and endurance."

"What has resulted has been the destruction of international goodwill and crumbling of the peace structure of the Orient."

"SINCERE CONDOLENCES"

"What concerns Japan most is that China and Japan maintain the closest co-operation with the common view of bringing about and maintaining lasting peace in the Far East."

"However, with China ideologically and sentimentally adhering

BASILISK SUBMARINE MYSTERY

London, To-day.

The Admiralty have now issued an official statement on the reported attempt to torpedo the destroyer H.M.S. Basilisk in the Mediterranean.

The statement is very brief and says:

"As a result of full investigation, it has been established that the attack by a submarine on H.M.S. Basilisk was not made."

Reuter.

The officers at Gibraltar are reported to have announced that they sank a submarine.

to an anti-Japanese policy, no alternative could be taken by Japan other than a move to eradicate the evil at any cost.

"As for those innocent individuals who have been unwillingly exposed to the horrors of modern warfare, and who have had their lives and property placed in jeopardy, I express my sincere condolences, and I urge them if possible to remain away from danger areas."

"REQUISITIONS"

"I would like to mention that our army at the front has requisitioned certain foodstuffs stored in farm-houses along the route of advance."

"Having no party to deal with, the army has been unable to defray the cost but we look forward to an early opportunity to make due compensation."—Reuter.

ITALIAN REPLY REJECTS THREE POWER TALK

Rome, To-day.

The Italian reply to the joint Anglo-French Note on Spain will be exactly as forecast in Signor Mussolini's newspaper yesterday.

The reply, according to the forecast, would consist of three points:

Firstly, Italy will not participate in any meeting to which Germany is not invited.

Secondly, A system of partial discussions as proposed can only lead to new complications, and,

Thirdly, The problem could be discussed as a whole by the London non-intervention committee.—Reuter.

The P. and O. S.S. "Somali" left Tsingtau on the 7th instant and is due here on the 10th instant at about 10 p.m. Work on board will commence at Midnight on Sunday the 10th inst. The P. and O. expect to despatch this steamer on Tuesday 12th. October.

CHINA MUTUAL ASSISTANCE PACT RUMOUR

Paris, To-day.

"There are persistent rumours in Nanking that China is about to sign a mutual assistance pact with the Soviet."

This declaration appeared in the newspaper "Le Matin" yesterday.

The message states that the Soviet military attache in Nanking suddenly left by air for Moscow yesterday to consult with the Soviet military and political chiefs.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW H.K. COINS

It is announced by Proclamation in the "Gazette" that the new Hong Kong five and ten cent coins will be legal tender in the Colony for an amount not exceeding two dollars as from October 8.

The P. and O. S.S. "Sirdhana" left Singapore for this port on the 7th instant and is due here on the 12th instant.



The Finnish barque Pommern, competing in the annual windjammer race from Australia to Falmouth in 94 days. The Pommern also did the voyage of 6,000 miles in 94 days but the crew of the Pommern claim to be the winners, having taken a few hours less. These pictures were taken on the Pommern, a four-masted barque, laden with grain, during the voyage from Falmouth to the Thames where she arrived to discharge her cargo. Photo shows—When all is plain sailing they paint ship. Here are two sailors of the Pommern at work with paint brush on the anchor and ship's side as she ploughed her way up Channel. (For Copyright).

BRITAIN AND AMERICA DISCUSS NINE-POWER PACT

Assurance Of Participation of U.S.A. Given

WORLD MOVEMENT FOR BOYCOTT SPREADS

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, received the United States charge d'affaires yesterday, and expressed the British Government's gratification at the terms of President Roosevelt's speech.

It is learned that the British Government considers that the President's words constitute a real contribution to peace.

It is reported from Washington that the United States and Great Britain have begun preliminary conversations in regard to arrangements for the Nine-Power Conference, though no decision has yet been taken.

It is believed that Mr. Hugh Wilson, Assistant Secretary of State, assured the British charge d'affaires that the United States would participate in the proposed conference, venue of which may be decided in a few days.

Discussions on procedure to be followed are being energetically pursued through diplomatic channels.—
Reuter.

DOCK BOYCOTT OF JAPAN

Movement Organised
In Glasgow

London, To-day.

Glasgow dockers are awaiting an opportunity to enforce a complete boycott of Japanese shipping, and an appeal is to be made to dockers in other ports to support the campaign.

Mr. J. C. McLean, Secretary of the Scottish Transport and General Workers' Union, which has a membership of 4,000, told Reuter that they were keeping a sharp look-out for any attempt to evade the boycott.—Reuter.

CANADA ACTIVE

Labour Party Will
Follow British Example

Ottawa, To-day.

An appeal to the Labour Party to boycott Japanese goods, and to the Government to place an embargo on the export of Canadian goods to Japan, has been issued by Mr. Draper, President of the Trades Labour Congress of Canada.

At the same time, Mr. Coldwell, Chairman of the Canadian Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, announces that the Federation "will most certainly follow the example of the British Labour Party" in urging a boycott.—Reuter.

ALL-INDIA FUND FOR CHINA

Suggested By Sir
Hormasji Mody

Bombay, To-day.

Immediate establishment of an all-India fund for assistance of China, is suggested by Sir Hormasji Mody, the prominent Indian industrialist.

He declares that India has acquired enormous wealth through China trade, and it is her duty to repay part of this debt.—Reuter.

EXCHANGES AMONG POWERS

To Ascertain Views
On Procedure

London, To-day.

Regarding the communication which the Aga Khan as President of the League Assembly has addressed to the Powers associated with the Nine Power Treaty and members of the League of Nations conveying the suggestion of the League Assembly that they should arrange consultations under the Treaty between themselves and other powers, either adhering to the treaty or with special interest in the Far East, it is understood that the British Government considers the proposed meeting should take place as soon as it can be conveniently arranged.

Exchanges between the various Powers concerned are still in the stage of ascertaining the different views on a suitable procedure for implementing the Assembly's suggestion.—British Wireless.



Men of the R.A.F. give a demonstration of the efficiency of new flying equipment against the perils of crashing in flames. (Fox Copyright).

AUSTIN GIVEN A SHOCK

London, To-day.

Christian Boussus (France) surprisingly beat H. W. "Bunny" Austin (Britain) in the International covered courts tennis match between Britain and France at Queen's Club yesterday.

Boussus won by 6-1 and 6-2.

It was Austin's first match since the Davis Cup Challenge Round against the United States.—Reuter.

TWENTY THOUSAND MEN FOR LONDON AIR RAID DEFENCE

London, To-day.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, yesterday attended the Territorial Army anti-aircraft display at Wembley.

At the conclusion of the performance, Mr. Hore-Belisha, in a short speech, appealed for 9,000 recruits for the Territorials in order to make up the total of 20,000 needed for the aerial defence of London.—Reuter.

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I had an attack of malaria the hearing Kowloon. Just as I was other day. I was transported getting cramped for arm space. I in my delirium to a strange land came out at this end of the tunnel. The entrance was an enormously and took some chicken soup and Long corridor, whirling with wild some dry toast. I was dog tired, it echoes. Something like standing so I knew I had come a long way, under a bridge while trains are and I let myself drop off to sleep passing over it. It had to be tra-right there where I was, with all versed on foot, and the roof seem the other passengers standing ed to get lower and lower, so that I around. And now you know what happens bumped my head. All the time in delirium. Things (of which the less said the better) were trying to get by, from behind, and there was only just room for me. It had, terrifically cold draughts, like the Underground in London, and in between these shivering experiences it was stuffy. Once I emerged, however, there was a feeling of expansion, and my head swelled up like a Zeppelin. The people were as queer as those in Alice's Wonderland, but as I was queer myself, they seemed natural. They made me up a bed under some tall trees, sweeping together hedgehogs and horse chestnuts for me to lie on, and the tall trees bent nearly double to make a canopy. I begged them not to trouble—it hurt me to see their backs in that fearfully constrained position—but they said it was the usual thing and couldn't be changed.

There was a man in Hong Kong named Ulysses, and that man was an example of cheerfulness (sometimes). His substance was only so-so, and he complained not of it, but was content. Now there was a day when the harbingers of Fate came to present themselves before their Lord, and Badjoss came also among them. And Fate said unto Badjoss,

Whence comest Thou?

Then Badjoss answered and said, From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

And Fate said unto Badjoss, Hast thou considered my servant Ulysses, that there is none like him in Hong Kong and he the writer of a cheerful daily column without reward?

Then Badjoss answered and said, Doeth he thus for no reward? It is easy to be cheerful when all goes well. Then hast given him pleasant times, and the work of his typewriter has not been wasted. But put forth thy hand now, and tease him, and he will be otherwise.

And Fate said to Badjoss, Behold, he is in thy power, but do not slay him.

And there was a day when Ulysses did fall and hurt himself exceedingly, but yet did he continue to make bad jokes and be foolishly facetious. Then came unto him a cruel cough, which kept him busy, and between coughs he indulged in laughter.

Then Badjoss did cover him with the boils of Hong, the same coming upon his arms, his legs, and the back of his neck, and upon his body, even at last in such place that to sit save on the corner of a chair, was painful.

He swore mildly and went on writing.

Then came other things, that were worse to bear than the boils of Hong, but he went yachting and did keep cheerful.

Then Badjoss threw in his hand, and ran down a steep place, and became as a stranger in that land.

And the moral of it is: Why worry?

Things I Don't Admire

A bandy-legged woman combing her hair.
A Macassar fish on a pink plate.
The other newspapers.
A lee shore on a dark and squally night.
An empty bar.
The Chaplin moustache.
Boils.
Church congregations singing.
The colour of some of the beer imported.
The humming and hawing of a man about to request a loan.
Refugees complaining.

Our Hong Kong clubs are places where you are bound to meet your boozem friends.

I played cards with the King of the country. At least I started to but could not continue because they gave me neither fork nor spoon to pick up the cards with. You cannot imagine how that hurt me, and

—BY—
"ULYSSES"

I could not make them understand that to pick up cards with the naked fingers is a form of cheating. The more I gesticulated the more cards they dealt. The King kept dealing on the top of my head. until my neck creaked beneath the weight.

weight. Then, mercifully, the cards toppled and crashed, and I fell into a warm bath from which I was unable to get out. I began to worry because, you see, if none helped me out, I would miss the ferry and be late for the office, and the big story I had written about the card party would be too late and the newspaper sellers would boo me all the way up Wyndham Street.

Wyndham Street.

The King had a face like a war memorial, bristling with bayonets and drooping flags, and he pretended I was a fish and that he was an angler. When I would not take the bait, which was made of castor oil and medicines of the kind that have to be shaken, he bent down and tried to put the hook in my mouth. Horror! My neck was rigid. I could not dodge. "Under the tongue. Under the tongue," he roared. Then he took out the hook, and looked at it, and shook his head, and frowned. 103½.

"We must get that down," he said.

Then he surged back into the horizon and disappeared, leaving a hole in the sky, through which came presently the head and shoulders of a woman I didn't know. I swam on my back away from her, away and away.

I could not see where I was going but presently I knew I was in the tunnel again, because of the trains passing overhead. I became covered in soot, so I knew I was

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 ...etting cramped for arm space, I
 ...me out at this end of the tunnel,
 ...nd took some chicken soup and
 ...me dry toast. I was dog tired,
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 ...he other passengers standing
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 ...nd now you know what happens

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The Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has decided to request local Sunday Schools to omit the story of Daniel in the lions' den on the ground that it is in line with an unstable writer has not been washed. But put forth thy hand now, and tease him, and he will be otherwise. And Fate said to Badjoss, Behold, he is in thy power, but do not slay him.

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MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SCARBOROUGH SPEECH

Clarion Call From America Welcome And Timely

BRITAIN READY TO RESPOND TO URGE TO CONCERTED ACTION

London, To-day.

President Roosevelt's speech at Chicago engaged the attention of the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in his address to the Conservative Party Conference at Scarborough last night.

The Prime Minister said that although there was not yet any formal declaration of war, there were in fact two major wars proceeding—in Spain and in China.

Both were characterised by the use of bombing aeroplanes. In both cases non-combatants were killed and mutilated by aerial weapons "which we are told were aimed at military objectives but which in no case can be considered instruments of precision.

"It is a sickening and horrifying spectacle, from which the mind revolts," declared Mr. Chamberlain, "and it has aroused in many countries very strong feelings of indignation at its inhumanity—and sympathy with the helpless victims.

"Yet it seems to me there is some danger lest these natural human feelings should miss the real point at which they should be directed.

"Cruelty, barbarity, mutilation and death of non-combatants, destruction of property, starvation and misery, are accompaniments of modern warfare.

REAL CRIME

"The real crime against humanity goes further back.

"It lies in resorting to force at all in contradiction of engagements solemnly entered into without even an attempt to settle differences by peaceful discussion and negotiation.

"Three days ago, the attention of the world was arrested by a clarion call, as welcome as it was timely in utterance.

"Hitherto it has been assumed that the United States, the most powerful country in the world, would remain content with a frankly isolationist policy.

EPIDEMIC OF LAWLESSNESS

"But President Roosevelt has seen that if what he calls the epidemic of world lawlessness is allowed to spread, no country will be safe from attack.

"In his declaration on the necessity for a return to belief in the pledged word and the sanctity of treaties, he voiced the convictions of Britain as well as his own, and in his call for a concerted effort in the cause of peace this Government will be wholeheartedly with him.

"There is now little doubt that the United States will agree to be represented at the proposed Conference of signatories of the Nine-Power Treaty and other Powers interested in the Far East, which will consult on how the conflict in China may be terminated.

GOVERNING OBJECTIVE

"It would be clearly premature at this stage for me to commit this Government to any particular course of action.

"I will only say that our governing objective now, as always, is restoration and maintenance of peace, and we will gladly co-operate in any plan which may help to secure that end."

Mr. Chamberlain's remarks about China were listened to with the deepest attention by the Congress, and his reference to President Roosevelt's action was warmly received.

OTHER MATTERS

Turning to other matters, the Prime Minister said:

"If we could once make real progress in settlement of the Spanish problem with Italy, the way would be opened for those conversations forming the subject of the recent correspondence between Signor Mussolini and myself.

"With regard to rearmament, I must frankly say that progress is not yet as fast as I would like, or as it soon will be.

"On the other hand the programme is much more vast than anything before attempted in peacetime, and an immense amount of preparatory work had to be done.

"This stage is practically completed, and production has begun in earnest."

R.A.F. TREBLED

Reassuring references were made by the Premier in regard to the Territorial Army, the Navy and the Royal Air Force.

"The strength of our home based Air Force in the last two years has been nearly trebled," he stated.

Mr. Chamberlain quoted figures showing that ordinary commercial business continued to show astonishing resilience and there was still no sign of the predicted slump.

Merchant shipping under construction at the end of June was 120 per cent. greater than on June 30, 1931, and the amount of British shipping laid up was only three per cent. of what it was six years ago.

SAFETY-FIRST

In his concluding remarks, Mr. Chamberlain deplored the necessity of our having to spend money on armaments, but "the sight of what is going on in China to-day brings home to us that our safety from such horrors is more precious to us than anything else."—Reuter.

MORE ITALIAN TROOPS FOR LIBYA

Naples, To-day.

A force of 1,836 more Italian troops have sailed for Tripoli on board the transport Toscana.

During the past three weeks, nearly 20,000 additional troops have been despatched from Italy to Libya.—Reuter.

PUNISHMENT DECREE ON N. CHINA LEADERS

Nanking, To-day.

The Government has issued a mandate decreeing severe punishment for General Chang Tze-chung, former Mayor of Tientsin, who was charged with gross negligence of his military duties, resulting in loss of territory which he was entrusted to defend.

General Chang recently arrived in the capital from Shantung in the custody of representatives of General Sung Cheh-yuan, former Commander-in-chief of the 29th Route Army, and General Han Fu-chu, Governor of Shantung.

General Yin Ju-ming, Chairman of the Chahar Provincial Government and commander of the 143rd Division, has been relieved of his duties on charges of inefficient defence, but he is retained for service "in order that he may retrieve his past error."

In decreeing punishment for other North China commanders, the mandate emphasises that it is important to maintain a high state of discipline in the present campaign of resistance against aggression.—Reuter.

CAPETOWN MEN EXPECTED TO-MORROW

The officers and men of H.M.S. Capetown journeying to Hong Kong via the Canton-Hankow Railway are not expected to arrive here until to-morrow at the earliest.

The naval authorities state that the men are held up by damage to the line. It is possible they will await repairs, if these can be completed quickly or they may be transferred to another train on the other side of the break, or they may continue the journey by bus.

A number of Hankow civilian residents are in the same train.

OFFICIAL DENIAL OF CADIZ REPORT

London, To-day.

This afternoon an official denial was issued of a statement which appeared in the early editions of a London evening paper that "The British Government is in possession of unimpeachable information showing that 15,000 Italian troops have landed in Cadiz."—British Wireless.

Miss Rosie Emily Low, Miss Sarah Dempsey, Miss Ethel Emily Pratt, Miss Joan Alice Mary Black have been appointed nursing sisters, all with effect from September 29, the "Gazette" announces.

VILLAGE FLOODS NEAR SWATOW

Swatow, To-day.

Recent heavy rains have resulted in the Wei Kong and Moi Kong rivers overflowing their banks. Reports coming in last night state that the villages along the banks of these two small rivers are all flooded.

Villages north west of this port are also threatened by the steadily rising rivers. An area of about 20,000 Chinese now north of Swatow is stated to be under water.—Our Own Correspondent.



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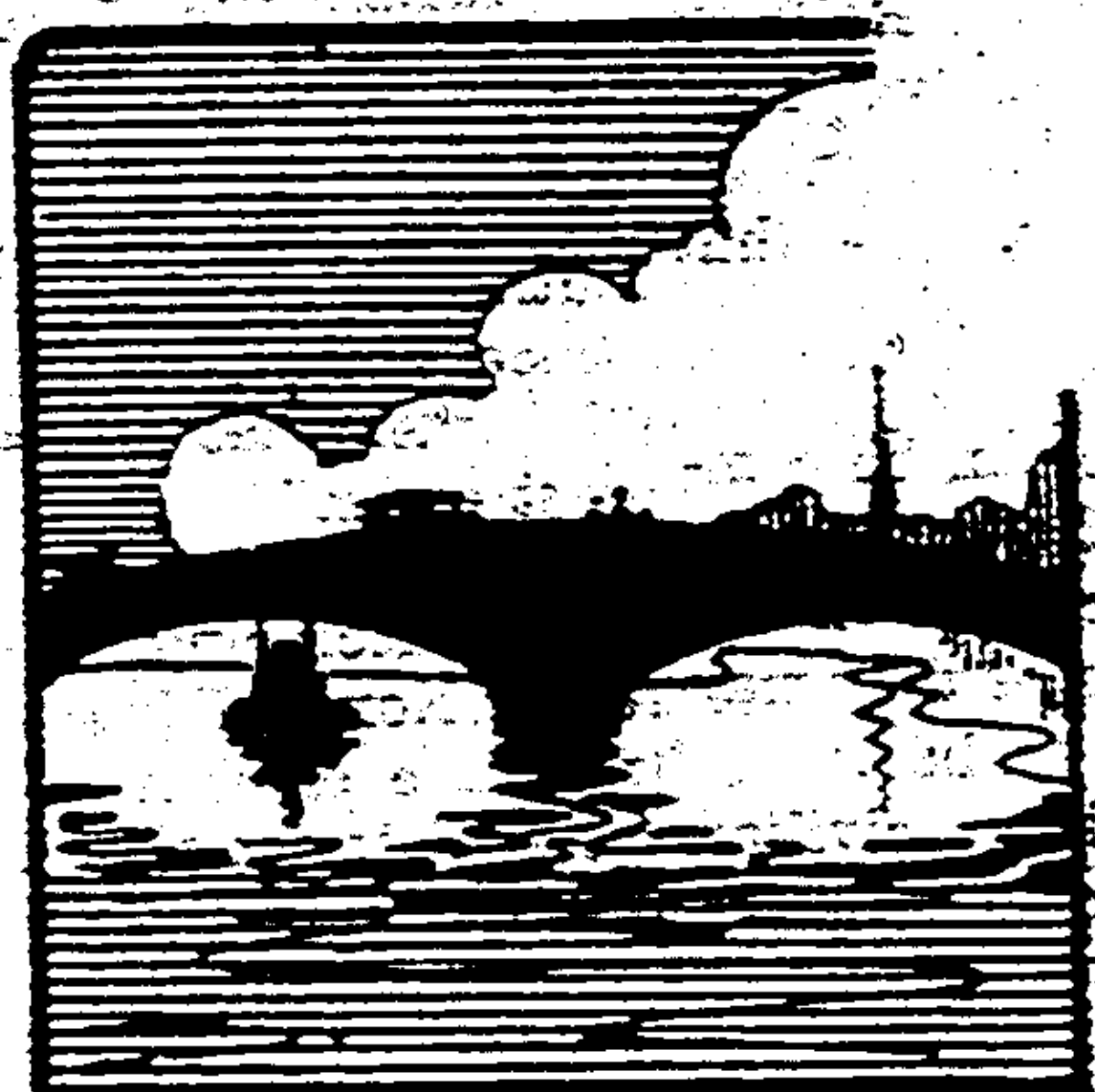
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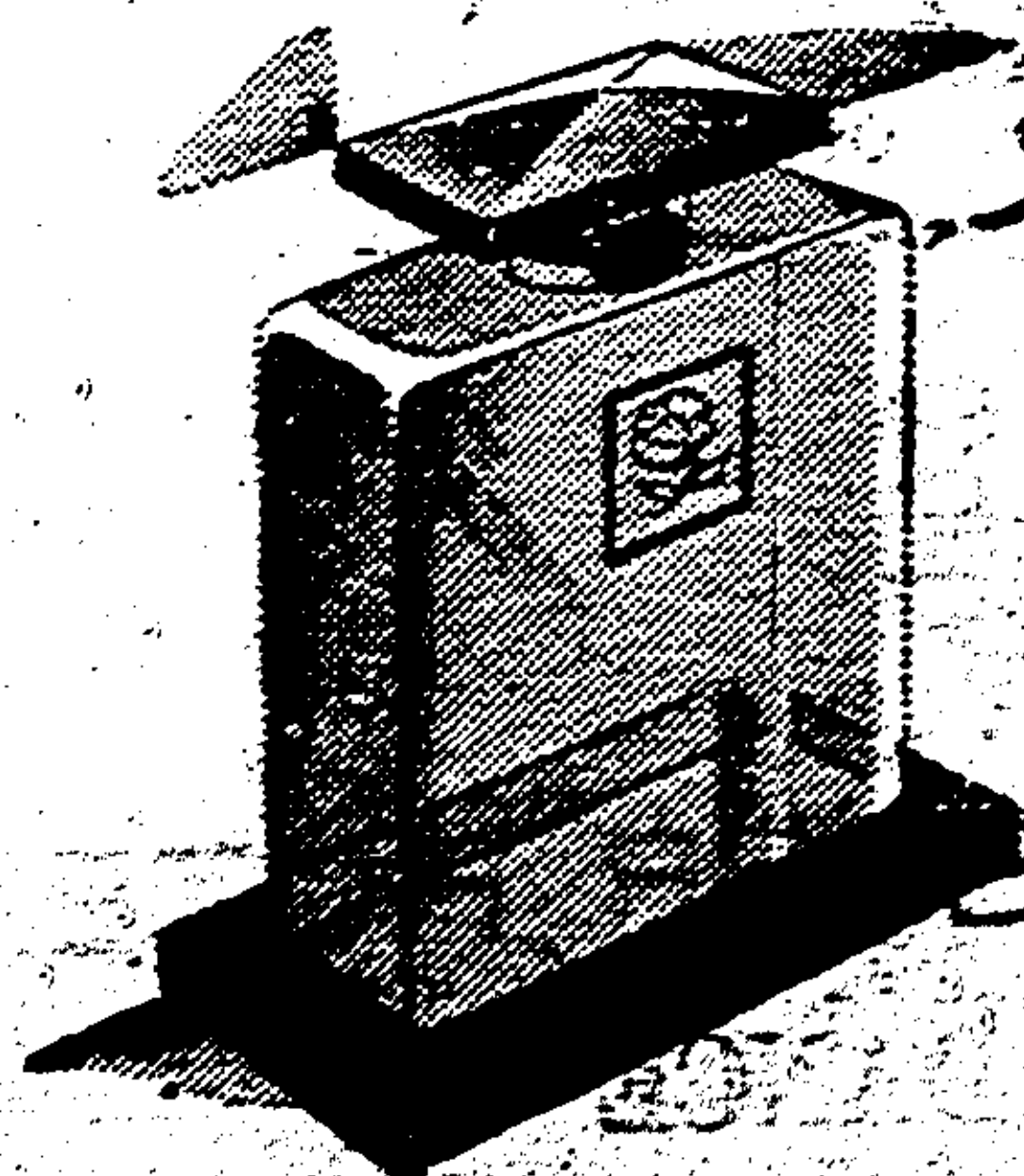


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ON MUSEUMS.

A new word is wanted to take the place of "museum". According to the secretary of the Carnegie Survey of Museums, Mr. S. F. Markham, M.P., an unsuccessful search has been made for years for another name. "City Treasury" and "Treasure House" have both been suggested. Clearly neither will do. The former sounds too much like an ironic euphemism for the City Hall, while the latter conjures up visions of ancient hoarded wealth. Nor does the word "exhibition" promise much better, implying, at it does, a temporary display. As the curator of a Newcastle-on-Tyne museum ruefully confessed, the trouble is that there does not appear to be any adequate substitute. But hardly any curator likes the word. In the minds of most people the words "museum" and "mausoleum" are all but synonymous. Museums are still regarded by many as dusty, dirty places full of dead things which "old fossils" are accustomed to browse over. Another objection which may occur to language students is that "museum" comes from "muse," and means literally a place dedicated to the pursuit of some of those branches of learning or art represented by the nine Muses of ancient mythology. These presided respectively over history, comedy, tragedy, music, dancing, astronomy, epic poetry, love-poetry, and sacred song. There is not much room under any of those heads for what is generally understood as a modern museum. It might attach itself to the muse of history in a humble sort of way, and no doubt there are openings in any well-stocked museum for the muses both of comedy and tragedy. But anything else would be exceedingly far-fetched, even though it be granted that love-poetry of a sort has been either inspired or surreptitiously acted during visits to a museum.

The fact seems to be that, if museums are to live up to their name, they must have a great deal more poetry and imagination introduced into them.

A Provocative Stamp

In the world to-day there will be little surprise at news from South America which reports a state of "increasing tension" between Nicaragua and Honduras. Tauntness and tetterhooks are the common condition of inter-

national relations, and few of the Great Powers are in any position to preach the virtues of relaxation to their smaller neighbours. But the cause of the tug-of-war that has tightened up the attitude of the two South American States is unusual; Tweedledum and Tweedledee are here in conflict over a postage stamp. Nicaragua has put one out with a map on it which "shows extensive disputed territory"; Honduras demands that the misleading stamp shall be withdrawn, and both sides are using the wireless to exhort their respective citizens to stand firm in the matter of fluctuating frontiers and filibustering postal emblems. One side has sent to the other a Note "couched in what are described semi-officially as the strongest terms," which seems clear proof that a postage stamp has been raised to the full status of what President Wilson once defined as "an unfriendly act." That ought to increase its value to philatelists, who, since they are ready to pay large sums for specimens which are just imperfectly printed, should surely attach a greatly enhanced value to one which is such a compendium of imperfection that it threatens two countries with armed conflict. Britain once embarked on a war of Jenkins's Ear, but a war about Nicaragua's postage stamp would be still more of a novelty in the history of provocative "incidents." Even at the expense of depriving stamp albums of a notable but gloomy exhibit, it is to be hoped that the tension will diminish and the stamp cease to stir up still more trouble for a world which already has too much of it.

Jolly Barber

It is a legitimate part of the barber's profession to tell stories, and the customer who endangers himself by laughing while he is being shaved has only himself to blame—such is the purport of a recent legal decision at Delhi in India. This is to put a very sharp edge to the barber's wit, and to leave the customer at the mercy of "the most unkindest cut of all."

He comes, in any event, to a feast of humour in worse case than Damocles, for every hair on his face attracts a suspended blade, and to indulge himself is to invite catastrophe. If he has a strong sense of humour, he may well elect, after this decision, to keep his beard, and be merry in hall.

Where beards wag all, rather than attempt a precarious gravity in the barber's saloon. He may prefer to laugh in his beard, rather than risk doing so on the wrong side of his face.

Yet the case of the barber is also a sad one. Unlike Scheherazade, he finds the success of his stories recoiling upon himself, and his pride, as a tonsorial artist, apt to suffer from a bad bit of what De Quincey would have called "tooling." It is a difficult problem: the raconteur hopes to achieve laughter, the barber a masterpiece of execution. As for the customer, who hopes only to achieve a quick shave, he appears in the Orient to be somewhat irrelevant. In the Occident, however, his rights are better recognised, and the feeling is prevalent that he is even entitled, if he prefers it, to be shaved in silence.

SCIENCE MAY YET END WARS

Developing The Inner Powers Of Man

HOPEFUL ADDRESS TO BRITISH ASSOCIATION

Sir Edward Poulton, the eminent entomologist, made the suggestion that war may yet be abolished as a result of the development and education of mankind's inner powers, in his presidential address at the annual meeting of the British Association at Nottingham.

"This subject," he said, "is bound up with education in its true sense — a leading out — and if, as Ray Lankester said at York, and we are all coming to believe, the hidden powers within are inherited while the results of their development are not, then there is no easing of the burden with the passage of time.

"BUT EACH GENERATION AFRESH MUST BEAR THE HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY OF CONDUCTING THIS DEVELOPMENT IN THE BEST WAY, SO THAT ITS SUCCESSOR MAY BE ABLE TO MEET THE CHANGING, AND, AT THIS TIME, THE INCREASING NEEDS.

"Thoughts on the development of these hidden powers by the educating influence of social environment suggest the greatest of the problems by which we are faced — the end of international war."

Sir Edward then recalled that the late Sir Michael Foster, president in 1899, had expressed the hope that the very greatness of the power of destruction in armaments would put an end to war, and had welcomed the "brotherly" meeting in those days between the English and French Associations at Dover and Boulogne as a hopeful sign that science was working towards the abolition of war.

NO NEED FOR DESPAIR

Proceeding, he said: "There are, I know, very many people who look upon the Great War, with later wars and rumours of wars, as the close of Michael Foster's dream.

"The words in which Sir Arthur Schuster concluded his address at Manchester in 1915, and Sir Edward Thorpe at Edinburgh in 1921, indicate, I hope, that the British Association does not thus despair.

"In this belief I bring before you a passage from the far earlier address which Sir Richard Owen delivered to the 28th meeting at Leeds in 1858 — a passage which makes a special appeal at a time when the British and American Associations are confidently hoping to strengthen still further the bonds of sympathy and mutual appreciation by which they have been happily united for so many years.

"Referring to the transatlantic telegraph, Sir Richard said: 'We may confidently hope that this and other applications of pure science will tend to abolish war over the whole earth; so that men may come to look back upon the trial of battle between misunderstanding nations as a sign of a past state of comparative barbarism, just as we look back from our present phase of civilisation in England upon the old border warfare.'

These were confident words inspired by the forging of a new link between the two great English-speaking nations.

"Nearly 80 years have passed since they were spoken, but with all the terrible disappointments there has been great progress, and a time will surely come, and may

come quickly, a time which shall prove that the visions of the young and the dreams of the old were prophetic of a glorious reality."

ENEMY AND PREY

Sir Edward referred to a discussion, at the Manchester meeting of the association, on the inheritance of acquired characteristics, and said, "I ventured to bring forward certain observations opposed to a belief in Lamarckian evolution by means of inherited experience — observations which I then described and have not known to be answered. In the relationship between enemy and prey there is very commonly no opportunity for the latter to learn by experience. The wonderfully elaborate adaptations by which sedentary insects are hidden from enemies have been evolved, not by experience of enemies."

He quoted examples of prophetic instinct among insects, and added, "I would ask any believer in Lamarckian evolution, or in Hering's and Samuel Butler's theory of unconscious memory residing in the germ-cells, how it would be possible to explain these prophetic instincts, adapted not to meet but to avoid future experience, except by the operation of natural selection."

"WHOOPEE" TREE MAKES WINE

Trees that produce a luscious type of red wine have been discovered in the jungles of Lower Mexico by Mr. Llewellyn Williams, curator of botany at the Field Museum in Chicago.

Mr. Williams has just returned from a six months exploration trip with the largest collection of wood specimens ever to be obtained from Lower Mexico.

The "Whoopie" tree, as he has named it, is a species of palm. The natives chop it down, cut a small trough in the trunk, cover it with leaves and let it stand for two days.

When they return, the trough is filled with a red wine, formed from fermentation of the sap.

Mr. Williams said it tasted "delicious."

PEASANT'S ALLEGED DOUBLE MURDER

Cheated By Change Of Brides

Abaz Imesh, 25-year-old peasant of Petch, South Serbia, is alleged to have killed two men because three years ago he was cheated by an exchange of brides.

Abaz had heard that Selim Danta had a very pretty sister named Nefa. So he paid \$50 to become engaged to her. As a good Moslem he never saw her until after the wedding. But when his bride unveiled for the first time before him, he found that she was neither young nor pretty.

Later he discovered that she was not Nefa at all, but that Selim had sent him his older — and ugly — sister and re-sold the pretty Nefa to a rich young neighbour named Muhamed Zumer.

Abaz vowed vengeance for the trick. He waited three years for his chance. Then he met Selim, Muhamed, Nefa and her two young children in a lonely lane. He attacked them and killed Selim and Muhamed with an axe.

Nefa managed to escape. She caught a horse, put her two children on it in front of her, and galloped to the nearest village for safety.

Meanwhile Abaz walked into Djakova, and went to the police station where he is stated to have admitted what happened.

300,000 People To Leave Madrid

About 300,000 more people are to be evacuated from Madrid by Dec. 31, according to the municipality's plans.

Some 300,000 have already left since the war began, including several thousand who left voluntarily. But as thousands of others have come into the city, Madrid has still something like its normal population of 1,000,000.

The municipality divides the 300,000 people now to leave into five classes:

Government employees who are still working in the capital;

Families of Government employees already working at Valencia;

Government pensioners;

Insurgent prisoners;

Sympathisers with the insurgents.

The Government will assist employees to take their families to Valencia and will allow them 10 pesetas a day — at the present nominal rate of exchange between 2s. and 2s. 6d. — after their evacuation.

Sympathisers with the insurgents will not be evacuated as prisoners, although they will be sent to places where they can be under surveillance. All extra prisoners established in Madrid since the war will be transferred elsewhere.

With the population of the capital thus decreased and the new railway line linking Madrid with Valencia, which it is expected will be completed by January 1, the municipal authorities expect to be able to feed the city's population through the winter.

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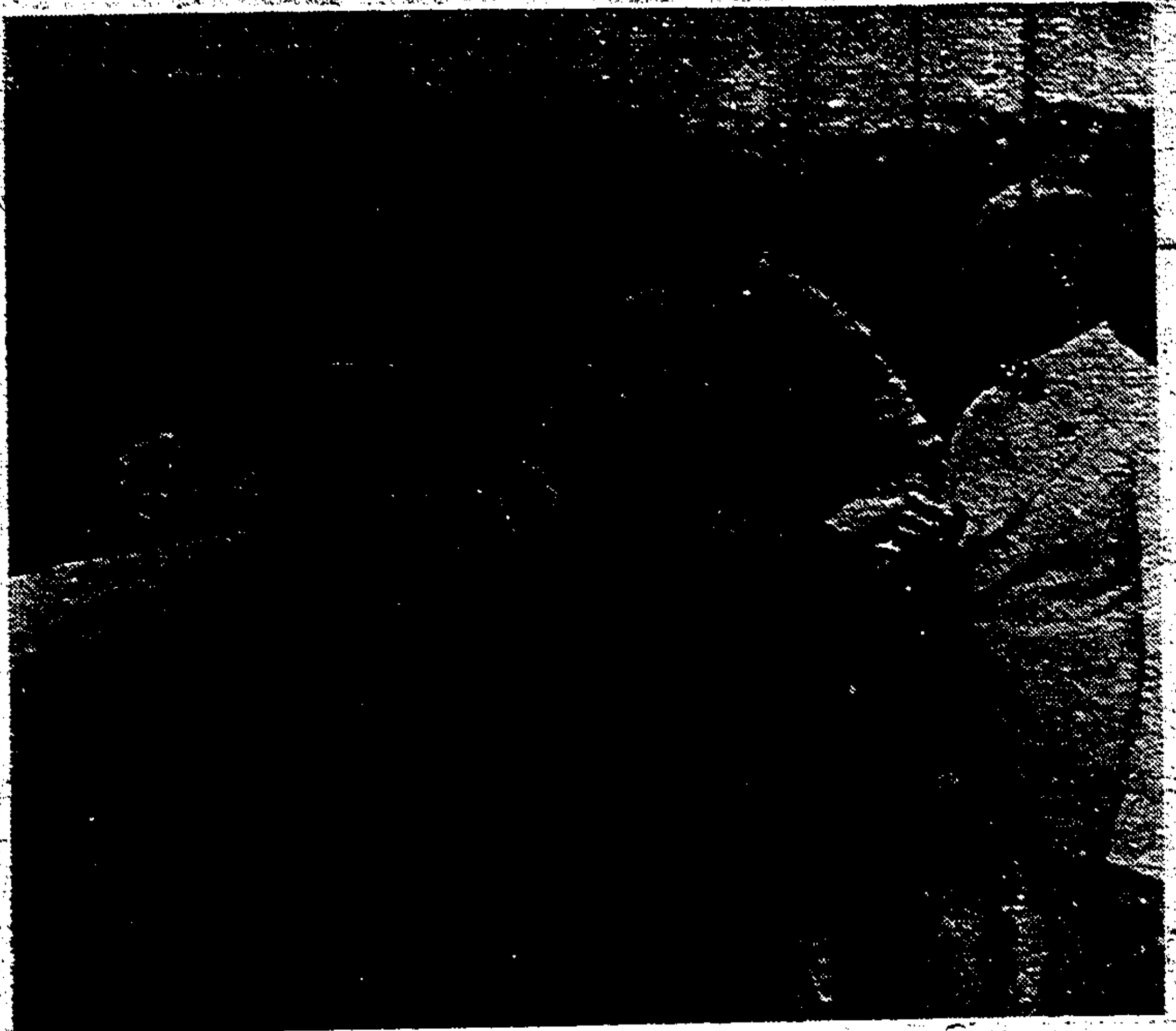
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Mr. A. F. Walkden and his bride, the former Miss Joan Mason, after their wedding at St. John's Cathedral. ("Mail" photo).



Taken on the occasion of the celebration by the local German community of the annual Harvest Festival, this photo shows (from left to right), Frau Gelewsky, Herr Gipperich, the German Consul-General, and Herr Gelewsky, Chancellor of the German Consulate-General. ("Mail" photo).



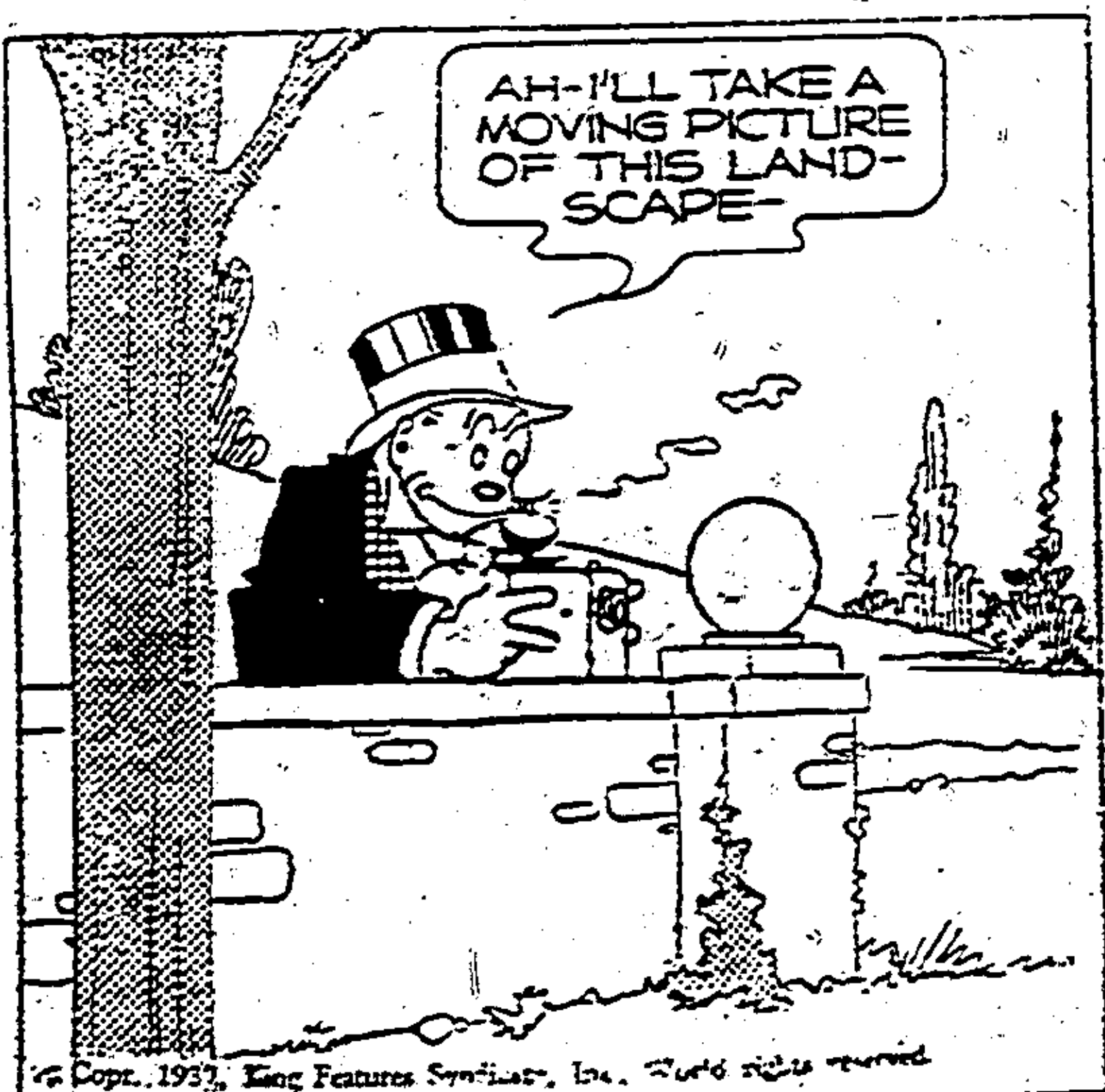
Guy Kibbee, Sybil Jason and May Robson, stars of "The Captain's Kid," showing to-day at the Oriental Theatre.

at left

Martha Raye, who stars with Bob Burns in "Mountain Music," a first-class comedy which opens at the Alhambra Theatre to-day.

This photo shows the Finals at the A.D.C., the Official of Smith. ("Mail" photo).

Bringing Up Father



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Picture was taken just after the prizes had been presented at the Hong Kong Hardcourt Tennis S.R.C. From left to right are Captain Robertson, Secretary of the U.S.R.C., Captain Ricord, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonel Reid, R.E., and Mrs. N. L. (photo).

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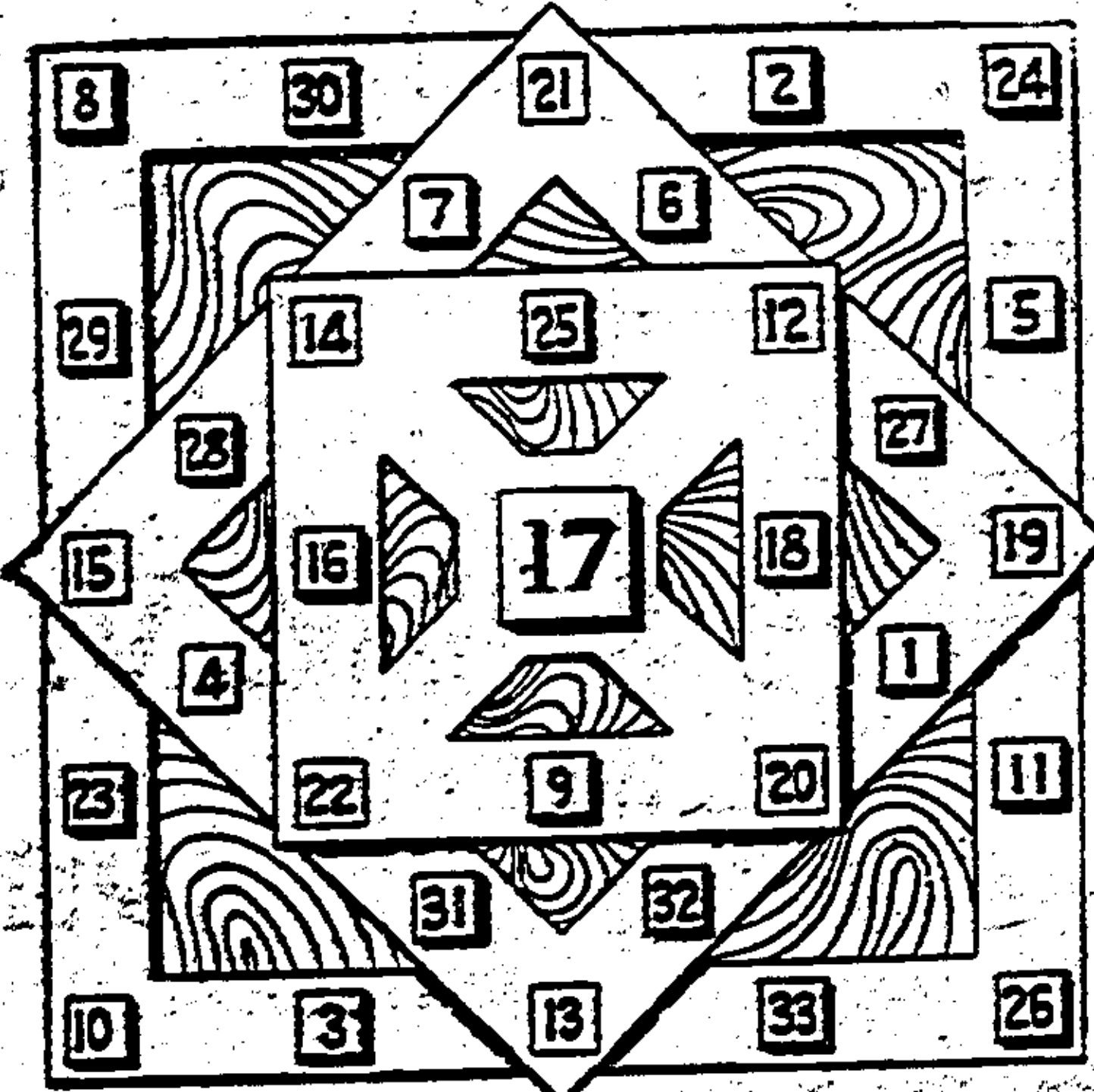
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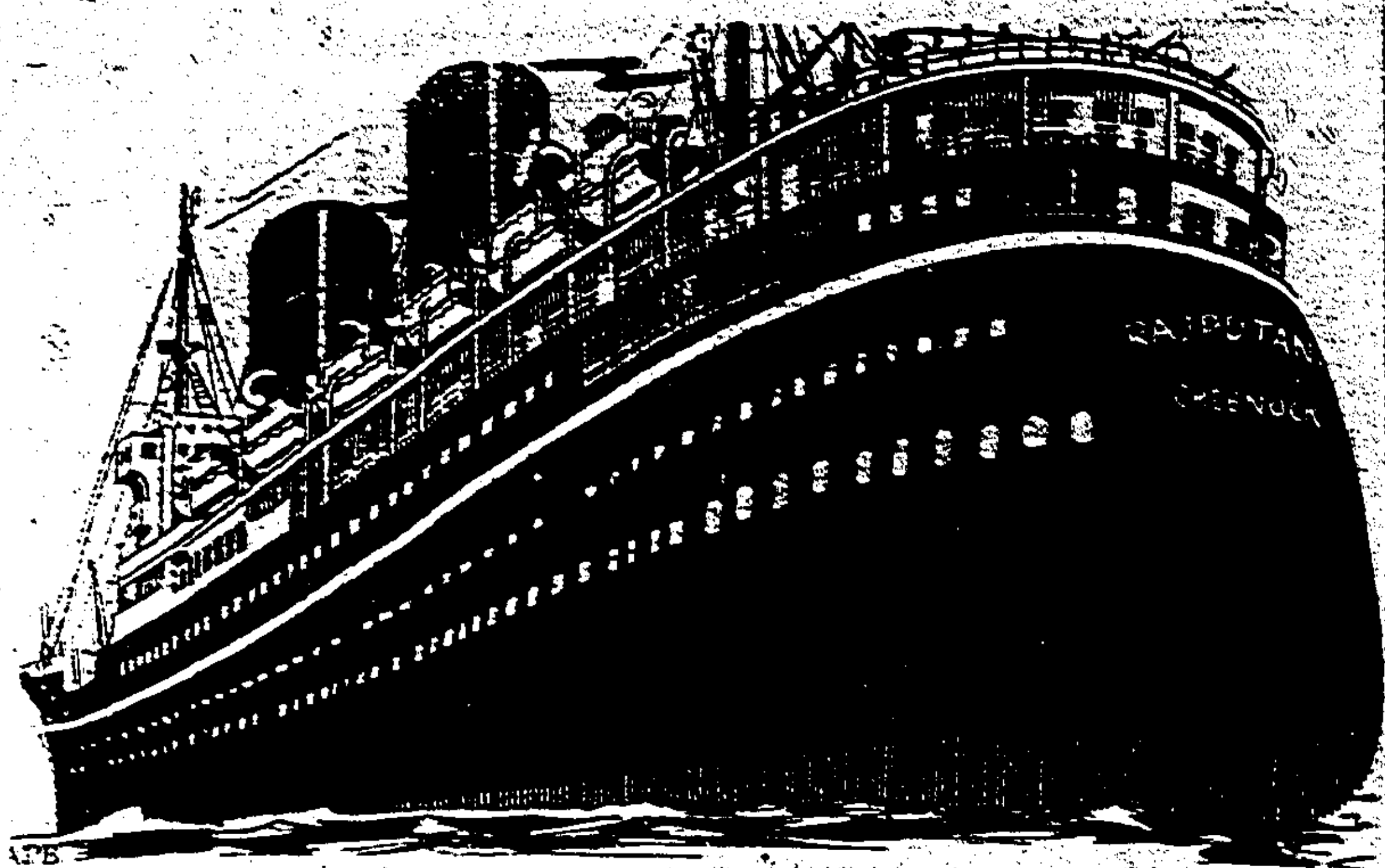


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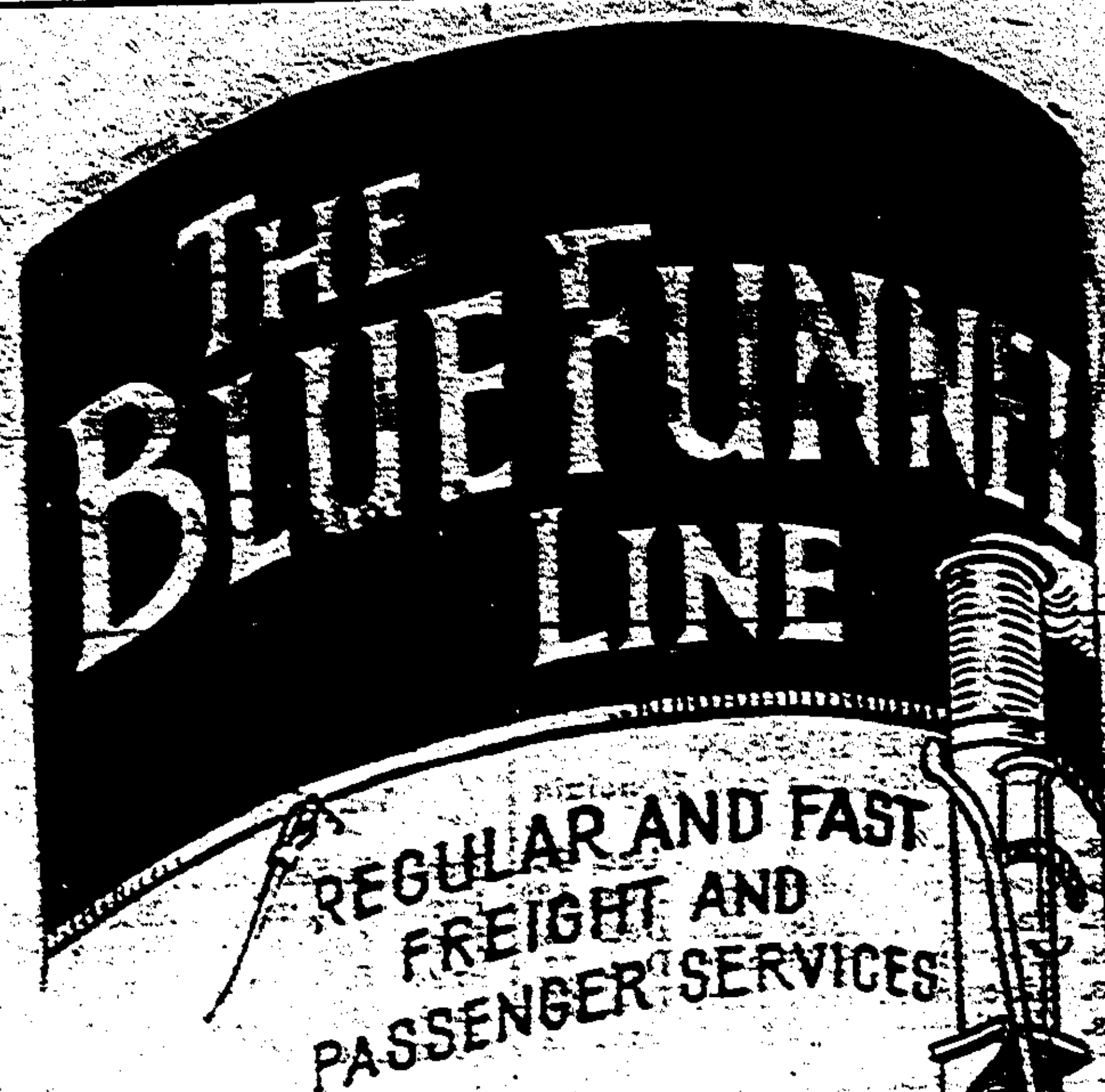
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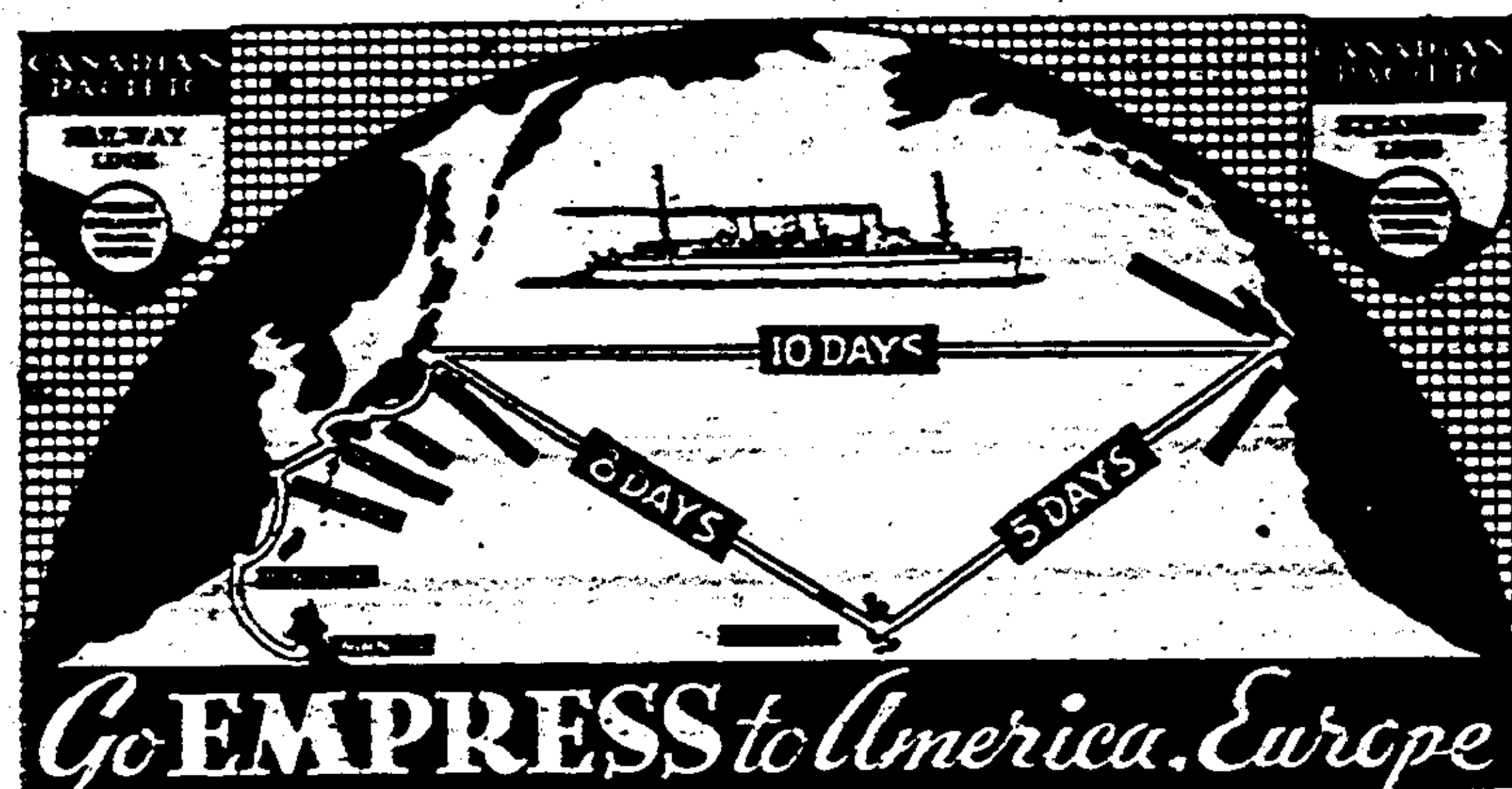
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The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, tomorrow, October 10, will be: "Are sin, disease, and death real?"

The Golden Text will be: "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." (Romans 8:2).

Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them." (Matt. 5:17, 18, 8:1-4).

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "If sin, sickness, and death are as real as Life, Truth, and Love, then they must all be from the same source; God must be their author. Now Jesus came to destroy sin, sickness, and death; yet the Scripture aver, 'I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.' Is it possible, then, to believe that the evils which Jesus lived to destroy are real or the offspring of the divine will? Nothing is more disheartening than to believe that there is a power opposite to God, or good, and that God endows this opposing power with strength to be used against Himself, against Life, health, harmony. Every law of matter or the body, supposed to govern man, is rendered null and void by the law of Life, God. Ignorant of our God-given rights, we submit to unjust decrees, and the bias of education enforces this slavery. God is the law-maker, but He is not the author of barbarous codes. In infinite Life and Love there is no sickness, sin, nor death, and the Scriptures declare that we live, move, and have our being in the infinite God." (Pages 474, 380-1).

CHINESE R.C.

WIN T. DIVISION TENNIS TEE

REPLAY AT K.C.C.

At the Rowloon Cricket Club yesterday afternoon, Chinese Recreation Club beat Club de Recreio in a play-off for the championship of the "C" Division by 5½ to 3½ and thus became the title-holders for the season.

Outstanding for the Chinese were P. Szeto and K. C. Ng who won three sets although they had to go all the way to do so in two of them.

H. A. Noronha and G. A. Noronha played pluckily for the losers and succeeded in winning two sets chiefly as the result of aggressive tennis which pierced the stolid defences of most of their opponents.

W. A. Reed and L. E. A. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat T. S. Sze and C. N. Chang 6-3 lost to P. Szeto and K. C. Ng 4-6 lost to L. F. Hon and F. K. Lau 4-6 A. M. Silva and Y. A. Yvanovich (Recreio) drew with Sze and Chang 6-6 lost to Szeto and Ng 1-6 lost to F. K. Lau and L. F. Hon 0-6 H. A. Noronha and G. A. Noronha (Recreio) beat Sze and Chang 6-4 lost to Szeto and Ng 4-6 beat Hon and Lau 6-2

H. K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R.C.B. Anderson, M.C., Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 8th October, 1937:—

EFFICIENCY MEDAL

In accordance with regulation 8 of the Regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters concerning The Efficiency Medal in regard to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, published as Notification No. 579 in the Gazette of 2nd August, 1935, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to authorise the following award:—

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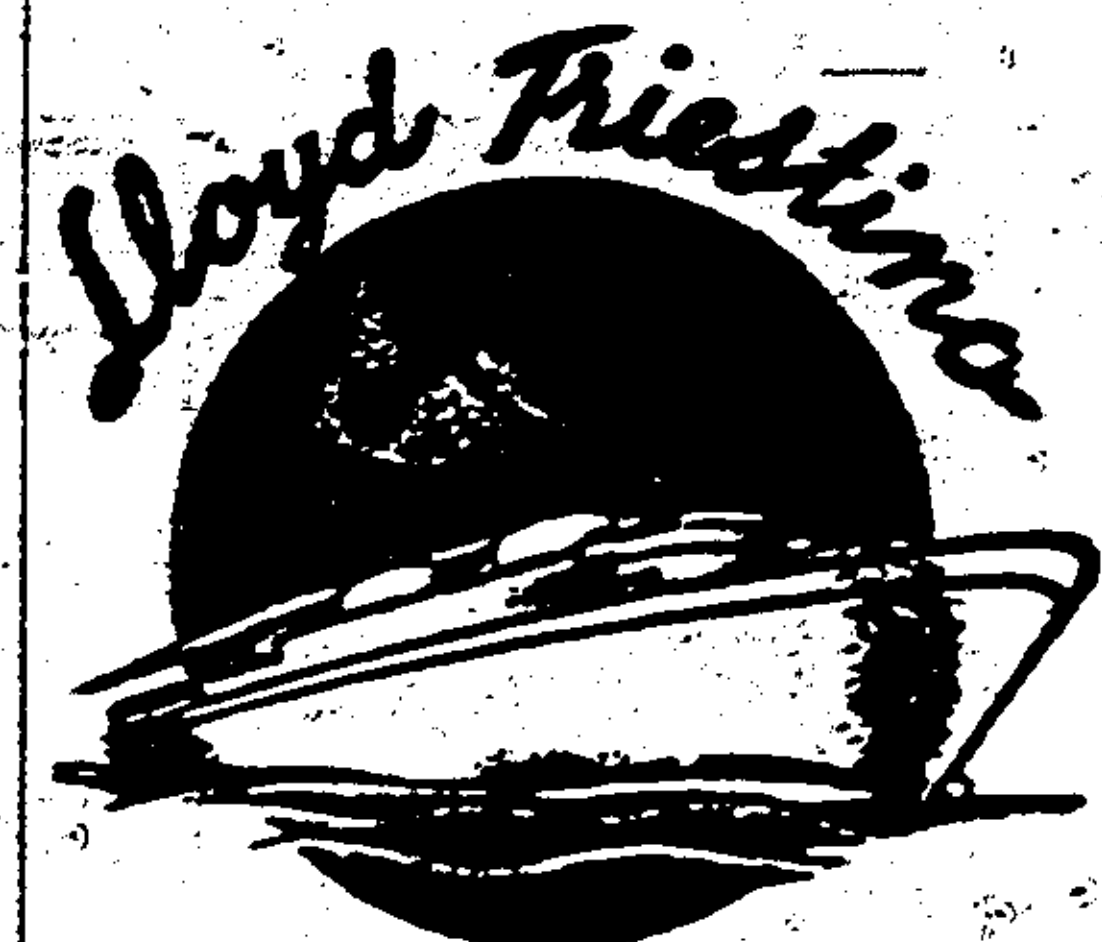
LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1½%.

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ANOTHER LOCAL FOOTBALL UPSET

MIDDLESEX REFUSE TO PLAY THEIR LEAGUE FIXTURES ON ANY SUNDAYS

SOUTH CHINA "A" WILL PLAY THEIR MATCH TO-DAY

(By "OUTSIDE LEFT")

A protest by the Middlesex Regiment against playing their League football fixtures on Sundays, has resulted in several changes for this week-end and the postponement of one First Division encounter. It appears that the Middlesex consider Sunday their only off-day and refuse to utilise such for the playing of League matches. As a result, their encounter against South China "A" will be played to-day, instead of to-morrow, while the Club v. South China "B" match scheduled for to-day has been postponed.

WE ALL REALISE THAT CLUBS DEPEND UPON GATES FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE, BUT I PERSONALLY CANNOT AGREE TO THE ARRANGEMENT OF INCONVENIENCING THE CLUB AND SOUTH CHINA "B" FOR THE SAKE OF THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT THEY WERE NOTIFIED IN THE FIRST PLACE OF SUNDAY FIXTURES AND AT THE TIME MADE NO PROTEST!

RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1
KING'S CORONATION
SCENIC VIEW
CENTRE FORWARD
Outsider:—Apilas
- Race No. 2
YTHAN
PLAIN VIEW
SYLVANDELE
Outsider:—Gold Coin
- Race No. 3
KING'S WARDEN
WILD LIFE
SOLDIER OF BRITAIN
Outsider:—Honeymoon Eve
- Race No. 4
LANCASHIRE CHIPS
STRATHBOY
ABLE AMAZON
Outsider:—Gypsy Love
- Race No. 5
HAVOC EVE
DAWN STAR
ROSE-QUEEN
Outsider:—Red Feather
- Race No. 6
TEMPEST
STOPWATCH
SHIPMASTER
Outsider:—King's Parade
- Race No. 7
DISCOVERY BAY
TWILIGHT STAR
BEUTUS
Outsider:—Beat That
- Race No. 8
BOB ROY
AMBERLEY
BOOLAT BAY
Outsider:—Royal Highness
- DAILY DOUBLE—HAVOC EVE AND DISCOVERY BAY

DERBYSHIRE'S PLANS

Derbyshire have re-elected R. H. R. Backston as captain for next season, when fixtures will be arranged with the same fourteen counties as during 1937, and with the Australians. Six games have been allotted to Chesterfield, five to Derby, two to Ilkeston, and one each to Buxton and Burton.

South China "A" made their debut last Sunday against St. Joseph's, whom they only managed to beat by the odd goal in seven, but if they hope to maintain an unbeaten record throughout the season they will have to do much better to-day when they will meet a very fast team.

South China are only likely to make one change from last Sunday's combination, Wong Wing, for many seasons their outstanding custodian, replacing Wong Wah-gay between the sticks. Lee Tin-sang and Mak Shiu-hon make an ideal couple in the full-back division, while Leung Wing-chiu's transfer to the centre-half berth has considerably strengthened the intermediate line. Leung is the ideal "policeman" for Pearson, the Middlesex leader, who will find his path strewn with thorns. Lee Tin-sang is an excellent defender with his head and in this department of the game he will be seriously challenged by Pearson's brilliant headwork, which has given more than one custodian an attack of nerves before now.

THEIR SECOND WIN

With South China's attack in a well-oiled condition, nothing should prevent them from recording their second win of the season this afternoon. Next Monday afternoon South China "A" will celebrate the Double Tenth (October 10) by entertaining Eastern at Caroline Hill and should secure another pair of points.

The only other encounter in the first division this afternoon which should produce good soccer is that between St. Joseph's and Eastern at Causeway Bay, where the Saints are fielding a very powerful side. Marques' presence in goal has considerably strengthened the defence while Bowen's blundering, but useful spoiling, should also play an important part in to-day's match. Costa, the left-back, can be relied upon to carry his share of the burden confidently.

VERY SOUND TRIO

Delgado, Hussain and Sprinkle are a more than useful intermediate line and I shall be most surprised if they fail to stop the Eastern forwards. The Saints' biggest weakness, their left-wing, is probably one of the most dangerous in First

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FOOTBALL FORECAST

The following are the H.K.F.A. League football fixtures for next week-end.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

First Division
K. Chinese v KOWLOON
(Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Kossick
Linesmen:—Brotherwell and Phillips.
Club v South China "B"
(Club, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Finch
Linesmen:—Farr and Johns.
SEAFORTHS v Police
(Sookunpoo, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Ip
Linesmen:—Edwards and Hudson.
ST. JOSEPH'S v Eastern
(Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Sidebottom
Linesmen:—Andrews and F. Silva.
S. CHINA "A" v Middlesex
(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Omar
Linesmen:—Morecroft and Barretto.

Second Division
Club v KOWLOON
(Club, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Jones.
E. Engineers v KWONG WAH
(Causeway Bay, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—D. T. Smith.
SEAFORTHS v Eastern
(Sookunpoo, 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Rees.
Police v 5TH BDE. R.A.
(Club, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—L. A. French.
SOUTH CHINA v Middlesex
(Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Day.
Third Division (Hong Kong)
SERVICE v 5TH
CORPS v BDE. R.A.
(St. Joseph's, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—D. G. French.
Stanley v ENGINEERS
(Military H.V., 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Barretto.
Powhattan v POLICE
(St. Joseph's, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Farr.

Third Division (Kowloon)
P.S.A. v 24th Bty. K.A.
(King's Park, 3 p.m.)
Referee:—J. Silva.
SIGNALS v 20th Bty. R.A.
(Chatham Road, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Brothwell.
SEAFORTHS v University
(Chatham Road, 4.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Stone.
K. Rifles v AIR FORCE
(Prince Edward Road, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Demmee.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10
Third Division (Hong Kong)
ORDNANCE v Medicals
(Sookunpoo, 3.00 p.m.)
Referee:—Johns.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11
First Division
S. CHINA "A" v Eastern
(Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)



Sirdar Rumjahn, above, was runner-up to Tsui Wai-pui in the Colony Hardcourt Singles Championship organised recently by the U.S.R.C.

JUNIOR CIVILIAN FOOTBALL "DERBY"

Kowloon Favoured To Beat Club

KWONG WAH'S BIG TEST

For the first time in many years the Second Division Football encounter between the Hong Kong Football Club and the Kowloon Football Club promises to be an interesting and well-contested game, though Kowloon appear to have slightly the better side.

With a larger number of players at their disposal, Kowloon are now able to field a strong side. It is interesting to note that there is only one Service player in the side and several First Division players will be seen in the side.

S. Souza, former St. Joseph's First Division full-back, will make his debut for Kowloon and will be partnered by Abbas, who was one of their outstanding players last season. The intermediate line will include Maxwell and Silva, formerly of Recreio. Silva was the Recreio First Division full-back last year.

SOUND ATTACK

G. White will lead the forward, and will have Betts and Bulpin as his inside-men, while the Kowloon Club have two fast wingers in Ulrich and W. Knox.

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Referee:—Lacey.
Linesmen:—G. D. French and Havelaar.
*Postponed.
Teams in black capitals are favoured to win.

SOME SCOTTISH FOOTBALL YOUTHS OF GREAT PROMISE AND SOME OF THE OLD BRIGADE

(By OLD HAND)

Glasgow, September 4.
THOUGH less than a month of the Soccer season has gone, we are already at the stage where we can glance over the team lists and discover to what extent our expectations from young players are to be justified. Juniors arrive in our midst heralded as coming stars. Some do give promise. Some fulfil the promise. Others, unfortunately, fade away when put to the stern test of First Division football.

TWO YOUNG HIBERNIANS HAVE YET TO COME UP TO EXPECTATIONS—KEAN, OUTSIDE LEFT, FROM KIRKINTILLOCH ROB ROY, AND FINNIGAN, FROM BO'NESS CADORA. BOTH HAVE BEEN TRIED AT OUTSIDE LEFT. FINNIGAN, HOWEVER, ARRIVED AS A CENTRE FORWARD, SO HIS WORTH CANNOT BE APPRAISED. NOR IT IS FAIR TO JUDGE KEAN YET AWHILE. HE HAD UNLIMITED ABILITY WHEN IN THE JUNIOR RANKS.

Rangers have had cause to congratulate themselves over the capture of centre-forward Thornton, of Winchburgh, and right half Ross, of Benburb. So intelligently has Thornton shaped that Rangers' followers are already prepared to accept this 16-years-old lad as James Smith's "natural successor." His play against Clyde in midweek astonished many who had not seen him in action before.

It would be well at this stage, however, to remember that Thornton and Ross have been placed in a team which includes such generals as James Simpson, Robert McPhail, and Douglas Gray. Few lads have such powerful backing in their first venture in senior football.

Similarly, young Laurie, who has been given Guthrie's place at right half in the Dundee team, is right away associated with men of the undoubted quality of Smith, Egan, Harry McMenemy, and Coats. Laurie is a most promising player. He has height, extraordinary speed, and genuine football ability. This is the type of player who should make good. Hailing from Newarthill, in Lanarkshire, he does his training under the watchful eye of Robert McNeil, of Hamilton Academicals, at Douglas Park. He is engaged in a measurer's office in Hamilton, and is determined to continue in his profession. The arrangement is suitable to the Dundee management.

St. Mirren during the past season tried out Hanlin and Ogden at outside left. Neither was quite up to standard. Now they have brought in John Deakin, who was on a provisional form. Deakin, who was a star with Johnstone Juniors, shaped most promisingly, and the probability is that he will get a prolonged test before the management decide whether or not he is the right lad for the position.

FALKIRK'S STAR

If Ken Dawson, Falkirk's winger, were not such a deadly scorer and such an effective winger otherwise, we might look for the rise of the player McKerrill, who was secured from Hamilton Academicals. McKerrill was a junior not so many

months ago, and after the lad's bright display in Dawson's position one wonders why that astute manager, William McAndrew, released him with a free transfer.

Last season the junior, J. Jones, from Morton Juniors, played a few games for Third Lanark. This season he has been entrusted with the inside left berth. Jones's style of play is ideally suited to fit in with Neil Dewar's. The young man slips the ball through the middle with delightful precision and is sufficiently alert to understand Dewar's peculiarities of play.

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PLAYER SENT OFF AT TYNECASTLE

Glasgow, September 4.
Just before the interval at Tyne-castle, Andrew Young, the ex-King's Park player now with Falkirk, was sent off the field, apparently, for a remark to which the referee took exception after the player had been whistled up for off-side.

Russell, the Hearts' captain, seemed inclined to plead that Young be allowed to stay, but Mr. Gillespie, the referee, was adamant.

JUNIOR CIVILIAN FOOTBALL "DERBY"

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The Club are making few changes, L. D. Skinner being in goal, while Millington the First Division pivot, will be in the intermediate line. Fisher will be at inside-left, in partnership with Dr. Shaw.

BIG TEST

Another good game should be witnessed at Causeway when Kwong Wah encounter the Royal Engineers. This is the China Light team's first real test as they have so far won both their games very comfortably.

The Engineers, who are much stronger than was expected after the departure of most of last year's players, will have Tudor back in the team, and his presence should greatly strengthen the intermediate line.

MUCH TOO STRONG

It is obvious that the Portuguese Sporting Association are too strong for the Third Division and they should have no difficulty in collecting both points from 24th Battery R.A., while the Combined Police should register their third win at the expense of the Powhatan Recreation Club.

The best game in this division

K. C. C. CRICKET TEAMS FOR THIS WEEK-END

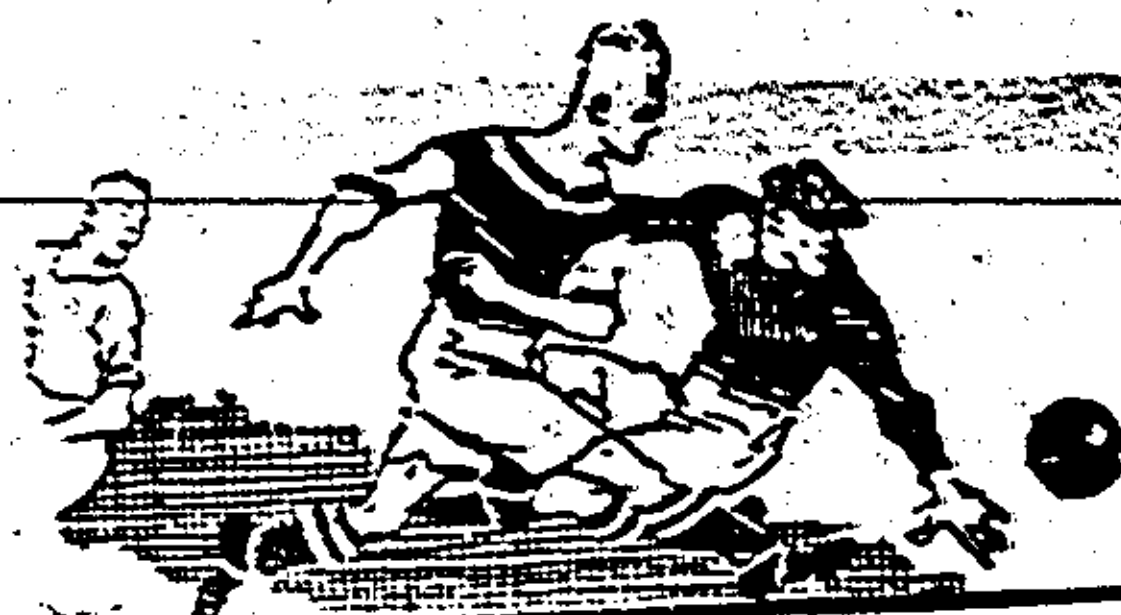
The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in their friendly games on to-day and Monday against the R.E. and H.K.C.C., respectively:—

Second XI v. the Royal Engineers to-day starting at 2 p.m. at Sookumpoo.

A. A. Dand (Capt.), W. L. McKenzie, S. A. Gray, G. A. V. Hall, N. D. Lloyd, B. D. Lay, R. T. Broadbridge, F. A. Broadbridge, K. M. Baxter, J. R. Luke, and R. A. J. Simpson. Umpire, H. Overy.

First XI v. the H.K.C.C. on Monday on the Club ground, starting at 11 a.m.

F. Goodwin (Capt.), A. A. Dand, E. C. Fincher, A. T. Lay, B. D. Lay, N. D. Lloyd, W. L. McKenzie, C. B. R. Sargent, K. M. Baxter, W. Mulcahy and R. Baldwin. Umpire, H. Overy.



ANOTHER LOCAL FOOTBALL UPSET

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Division Soccer to-day and should make a favourable impression against the Eastern defence, while David Leonard's play in the leader's berth, should also lend support to their probable victory.

In the remaining games, Kowloon should win on their own ground, in an away fixture against Kowloon Chinese, while the Seafarths are favoured to beat the Police comfortably.

should be that between the Ordnance and the Medicals, to-morrow and this will probably be the last appearance of Duffield and Waters, for the former. The Ordnance have not come up to expectation so far, but are expected to give the Medicals a good game.

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WORLD GOLF JOTTINGS

(By "J. FERRIER")
(Australian and N.S.W. Amateur Champion)

Sydney, September 9.
In New Jersey (U.S.A.) a player who was bunkered half-topped his shot out and it went through the window of a passing bus. The ball struck the driver squarely on the chin rendering him unconscious for several minutes. An alert passenger leaped from his seat and stopped the bus.

L. Nettlefold, of Tasmania, is the longest hitter in Australian golf to-day, and he demonstrated this plainly when driving against me on Monday. On several occasions after I had hit a good

ball, his ball was many yards past mine. At the third hole (404 yards), in the afternoon, his drive finished within 50 yards of the green. Another grand drive came at the 7th, where, after I had hit mine about 300 yards with an assisting breeze, he was fully 50 yards ahead of me. He reached the 5th hole (230 yards) on both the morning and afternoon rounds with a No. 4 iron.

Claimed to be the only "moon-light hole in one" performed, R. H. Locke holed his tee shot at the 15th on the Pannal club course in England. The feat was done at 10 p.m. one Saturday evening last month.



R. Guldahl, the present American Open champion, has won more than 14,000 dollars in prize money this year — one of the highest totals ever won by a professional. The largest was Horton Smith's 15,500 dollars in 1931.

This year's New South Wales close championship will be held at Bonnie Doon on October 8 and 9. This is the first occasion that the event has been played there since its inception. The championship is played over 72 holes of stroke play; 36 being played each day.

SCOTLAND WIN GIRLS' GOLF INTERNATIONAL

ENGLISH GOLF CHAMPION BEATEN

London, September 7.

Scotland won for the third successive year in the girls' international match at Stoke Poges yesterday, when they beat England by six games to one. The contest is a prelude to the girls' open championship, which begins to-morrow.

All the competitors in yesterday's match were single-figure golfers, and the standard of play was high. There was never any doubt, however, about the superiority of the Scottish team, who retained the Stroyan Cup. Miss Sheila Stroyan, the Scottish captain, defeated the English leader, Miss Peggy Edwards, who won the girls' title last year, by 2 and 1. Miss Stroyan took the lead at the short seventh, where she sent her tee shot two feet from the stick, and holed the putt for a 2. She increased her advantage at the eighth, and turned 2 up, being out in 37.

FOUGHT BACK

Miss Edwards fought back well on the homeward half. She reduced her arrears at the 12th, and was only 1 down with three to play. At the 16th, however, her tee shot over the pond was too strong, and she lost the hole to be 2 down again. A half at the next hole gave Miss Stroyan the victory.

Miss Jacqueline Gordon, runner-up for the championship last year, played some of the best golf of the day, but she was unlucky with several shots, and was beaten 2 and 1 by the Scot, Miss Jessie Baxter.

ONLY WINNER

Miss Dorothy Thomson, of Edinburgh University, who is a fancied competitor for this week's championship, played well against Miss Joan Pemberton, and won by 3 and 2.

Miss Dorothy Drew was the only winner for England. She beat Miss Jean McIntyre, of Lindrick, by 6 and 4, the most decisive win of the day.

VARDON'S MEMORY HONoured

(By "GEORGE GREENWOOD")
London, September 7.

To perpetuate the memory of Harry Vardon, the greatest golfer of his time, who died in March, a bronze statuette of him has been made.

It will be presented annually, with a replica in miniature, by the Professional Golfers' Association to the player with the best average in the leading stroke competitions.

At present, Henry Cotton, the Open champion, leads narrowly from Charles Whitcombe, British Ryder Cup team captain.

As there is a possibility of Cotton, on medical advice, withdrawing from the remaining events of the year, his average will probably drop below Whitcombe's.

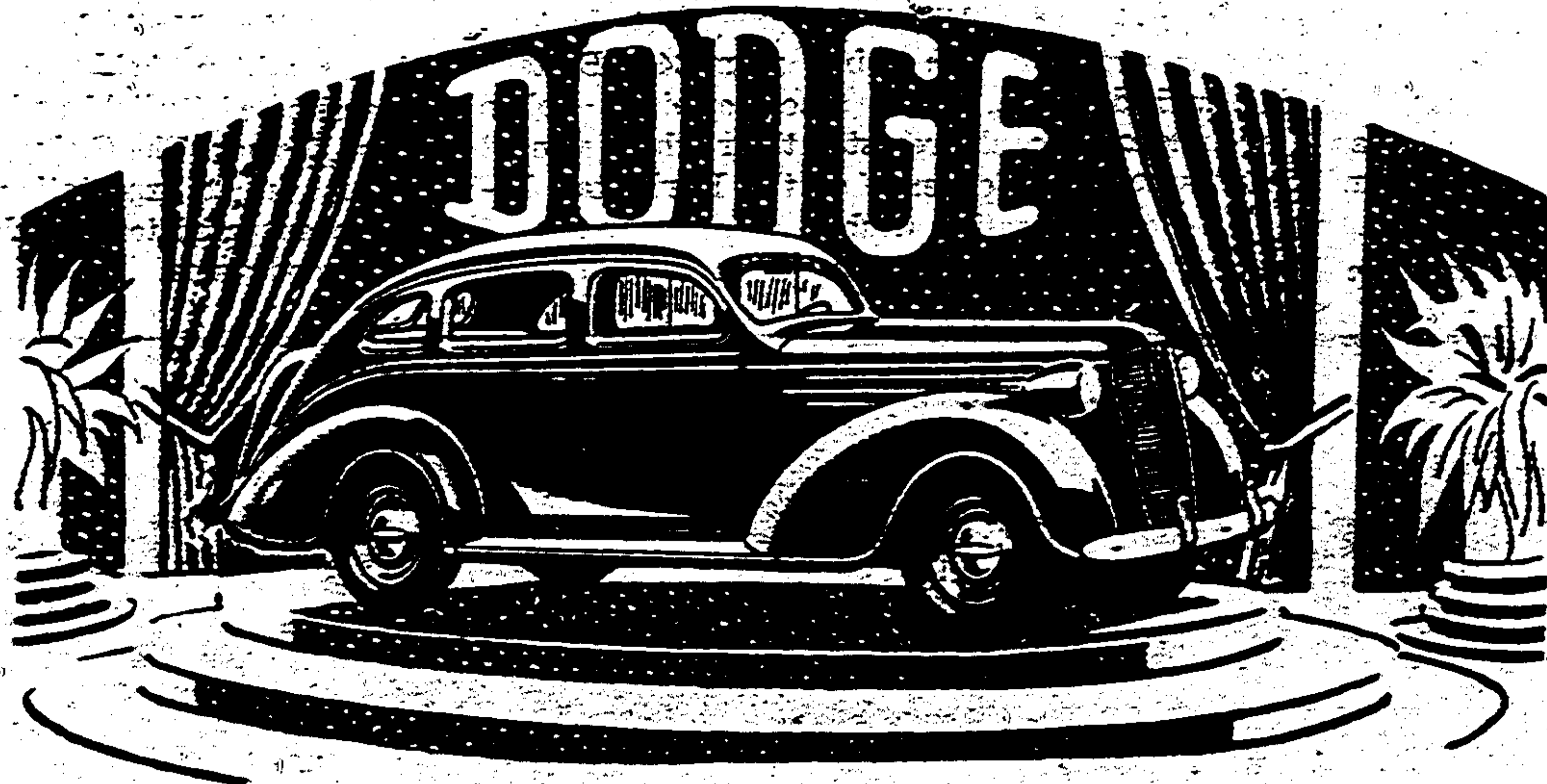
Cotton, who has not fully recovered from the strain of the championship, is on holiday on the Continent.

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THE LATEST MODELS

ARE NOW ON VIEW

DEFEAT OF MISS ALICE MARBLE TITLE-HOLDER LOSES TO MISS D. BUNDY FORMER CHAMPION'S DAUGHTER

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

Forest Hills (N.Y.), September 9.

THIS year all records for mid-week crowds at the American Championships here have been broken, and purveyors of hot-dogs and candies have been sold out. The big crowd to-day had an early sensation — the defeat of Miss Alice Marble, the reigning champion, by Miss Dorothy Bundy, daughter of an American invader who, 32 years earlier, had, while still in her 'teens, triumphed on the old Centre Court at Wimbledon.

How the pulse of May Sutton, now Mrs. Tom Bundy, of Santa Monica, must have quickened when she received a radio despatched from my side as I wrote. The score was 1-6, 7-5, 6-1, and rarely has there been such a complete metamorphosis or such a surprising surrender of a title. When Miss Marble, playing every shot with authority and control, had taken the first set at 6-1 and led 4-3 in the second, scoring like a man and moving like a gazelle, Miss Bundy seemed destined for quick extinction.

SOME SCOTTISH FOOTBALL YOUTHS OF GREAT PROMISE

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OLD SERVANTS

From the young fellows to some of the older school who are doing well despite their length of arduous service. It amazed Celtic people to find right back Leslie, of Kilmarnock, quite clearly the best man on the field in the battle at Rugby Park. Leslie is in his twelfth year with Kilmarnock. He played with a power and with such mobility that one could have been forgiven for assuming that he was a player of, say, two or three seasons' experience in his very prime.

Edward Summers, full back, of Clyde, and now of Ayr United, is in his tenth season as a senior. This fine defender gives whole-hearted service. Not at his feet can be laid the blame of any United reverse. Summers is probably one of the fittest men in the game. His active interest in youths' organisations necessitates fitness of mind and body. Summers should last a long time in Soccer.

MR. GRORY GOING BACK?

Is James M'Grory going back? Even some Celtic people believe that the time has come when the Park-head people must try out a lad with a view to alighting on M'Grory's successor. But then, that was said two or three years ago, and still the centre is a most dangerous leader. At the same time, there is an absence of some of that crispness that distinguished his footwork and his heading. He is more interested now in cultivating the wing game from fairly far out and running into position for the return. He seldom attempts the break-through.

A player who seldom comes into the lime-light is Gray, right back of Rangers. It is now more than twelve years since Gray was approached by Director James Bowie and Manager Willie Struth in a train coming North after an international junior match at Birmingham, and fixed up to leave his na-

Overawed, she had continually been netting while her lines seemed at the mercy of the champion. Lo and behold, Miss Bundy took the next nine games, and Miss Marble collected only one more game before the stunned gallery had grasped the miracle.

RALLIES LENGTHEN

At first the stocky little player, who was singularly calm and collected—usually she is gaily casual and vocally exuberant—looked only stolidly steady, content to parry Miss Marble's fiercer shots and throw up lobs when the champion came striding forward.

But as the rallies lengthened and Miss Bundy increased her length, using the volley to shift Miss Marble out of her familiar orbit, the strain began to tell on the more excitable holder. Her physical reserves, now drawn upon, were seen to be failing.

HAD OTHER VIEWS

Yet when Miss Bundy had squared the match with a run of four games, everyone thought Miss Marble would return from the dressing-room after the interval and re-assert her ascendancy.

But Miss Bundy, using the whole court, had other views. Her ground shots, orthodox in production and less strainful than her mother's had been, not only kept Miss Marble away from the net, but won the majority of the base-line rallies. She did not make a mistake until she was 5-0 and love-15.

Two or three loose blows followed, Miss Marble achieved one great smash, and then the end came quickly, Miss Bundy winning the seventh game from 30 after a protracted rally, in which the youngster showed no sign of cracking.

Five Mugiemoos for Ibrox. Gray has given solid service to Rangers — seldom injured, always sprightly, thoroughly consistent, yet never in the top-lines. Still, Gray has the consolation of knowing that the maintenance of the form that has carried him through those twelve years will ensure a berth at Ibrox for quite a long time. He is as staunch now as he has ever been.

CORINTHIANS COMING HERE FIRST

I was given to understand by Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, who is in charge of the South China Athletic Association, Football Section, that the Islington Corinthians will not call at Manila first, as was their original intention, before coming to Hong Kong.

As a result of the Far Eastern conflict, and the change in the sailing schedules during the Coronation, the Corinthians have found it impossible to make the trip to the Philippines first, and will arrive here first from Saigon. As soon as they have completed their fixtures in the Colony, they will go on to Manila, Japan, returning via Canada.

Football League Teams

FIRST DIVISION

St. Joseph's:—R. Marques; Bowen and V. Costa; Sprinkle, Hussain (Captain) and Delgado; Castillo, Ward, D. Leonard, Gomes and Alves.

South China "A":—Wong Ki-leung, Lee Ting-sang and Mak Shui-hon; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Lai Shui-wing, Fung King-cheong (captain), Cheuk Sek-kam and Cheong Boon-wing.

Kowloon Chinese:—Wong Cheong; Chan Hoi-ching and Chong Kim-fan; Wang You-tim, Chan Wong and Man Ping-wong; Chin Chi-fun, Yeung Kan-po, Yu Wah Choon and Kok Wai-ye.

Eastern:—Sammy Tsang; Kwok Ping-cheong and Wong Ping; Tsang Chong-wan, Soong Ling-sing and Lo Wai-kuen; Chan Ping-to, Lee Tak-kee, Chau Man-chi, Kok Ying-kee, and Han Ching-to.

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FINLAY'S TRIUMPH

Paris, August 26.

A world record-breaking 100 metres run by Ben Johnson, the coloured American, another record-breaking effort by D. O. Finlay, the British athlete in the 110 metres hurdles, and the fine running of P. D. Ward in the 5,000 metres, featured the international meeting at the Colombes Stadium here to-day.

Johnson, who got to within a tenth of a second of record in the preliminary heat of the 100 metres, won the final in 10.2 sec. to beat the world record of 10.3 sec held jointly by Percy Williams (Canada), Eddie Toland, Ralph Metcalfe and Eulace Peacock (United States), and C. D. Berger (Holland).

Alan Pennington, the Oxford Blue, ran brilliantly in this event, but could not match his American opponent. He finished second to Johnson in the final in 10.4 sec. Mariani (Italy) was third in 10.5 sec, E. L. Page (Britain) fourth in 10.6 sec, Stoltz (France) fifth in 10.8 sec., and Sandy Dupcan (Britain) sixth in 11 sec.

The first event was the 110 metres hurdles, which Finlay won in 14.2 sec. to lower the European record. Finlay led all the way, and easily beat Le Roy Kirkpatrick (U.S.A.), J. Patterson, the American hurdles champion over 440 yards, was third.

WARD'S WINNING BURST

Ward again employed his usual waiting tactics in the 5,000 metres, which he won with a fine last-minute burst in 14min 42sec. A. Askola, the famous Finnish runner, was expected to give Ward a hard fight, but finished 25 to 30 yards behind.

Johnson's second success was in the 200 metres. Pennington again finished second to the American, his time being 21.5 sec. E. L. Page (Great Britain) was third in 21.6 sec.

EMERY THIRD

C. A. J. Emery (Great Britain) was third in the 1,500 metres, which was won by Messner (France) in 3min 59.2sec, with Chatillon (France) second in 3min 59.3sec.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Week-End Pairings For Fanling

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling for to-morrow and next Monday:

TO-MORROW

Old Course

9.32 a.m. W. Adamson, G. C. Worrall.
9.36 a.m. J. A. D. Morrison, K. S. Morrison.
9.40 a.m. I. E. Cramer, D. A. O'Keeffe.
9.44 a.m. A. E. Lissaman, I. H. Geare.
9.48 a.m. K. K. Rounds, E. T. McMullen.
9.52 a.m. F. Groves, W. G. Robertson.
9.56 a.m. J. C. G. Ferguson, P. M. Market.
10.00 a.m. P. Morrison, J. Forbes.
10.04 a.m. H. N. Williamson, N. K. Littlejohn.
10.08 a.m. Major MacDonald, Capt. Holmes.
10.12 a.m. O. J. Shannon, J. H. M. Andrew.
10.16 a.m. G. A. Leiper, C. C. Wilson.
10.20 a.m. H. A. Browning, F. H. King.
10.24 a.m. J. S. Dunnett, F. A. M. Elliott.
10.28 a.m. W. Park, I. W. Lang.
11.00 a.m. R. Hancock, G. A. Pentreath.

MONDAY

Old Course

9.32 a.m. E. A. R. Newton, R. A. McKenny.
9.36 a.m. D. S. Robb, G. A. Stewart.
9.40 a.m. D. J. Gilmore, I. W. Shewan.
9.44 a.m. S. Baxter, I. H. Geare.
9.48 a.m. B. J. Morahan, H. N. Williamson.
9.52 a.m. N. K. Littlejohn, J. Forbes.
9.56 a.m. E. T. McMullen, J. H. M. Andrew.
10.00 a.m. A. A. Bremner, R. L. S. Webb.
9.36 a.m. Mrs. Webb, Miss Stevenson.

SIR PELHAM WARNER'S ADVICE

London, September 7.

"We have plenty of fine, young batsmen, but our bowling is a terrific problem," said Sir Pelham Warner, at the Folkstone festival. "A majority of the bowlers pitch far too short, instead of pitching the ball up and forcing the batsmen to play forward. If against the Australians, in 1938, our fast bowlers persist in this short nonsense, we will be in serious trouble, because the hook and the square cut are the Australians' best strokes."

Emery's time was 3min 59.8sec.

Another American victory was scored in the high jump, which was won by Cornelius Johnson with 1.90 metres (6ft 3in). Kalima (Holland) and A. Kause, of Estonia, who finished third at the recent White City meeting, tied at 1.85 metres (6ft 1in) for second place.

The United States won nine events, Great Britain two, and France, Finland, Italy, and Estonia one each.—Reuter.

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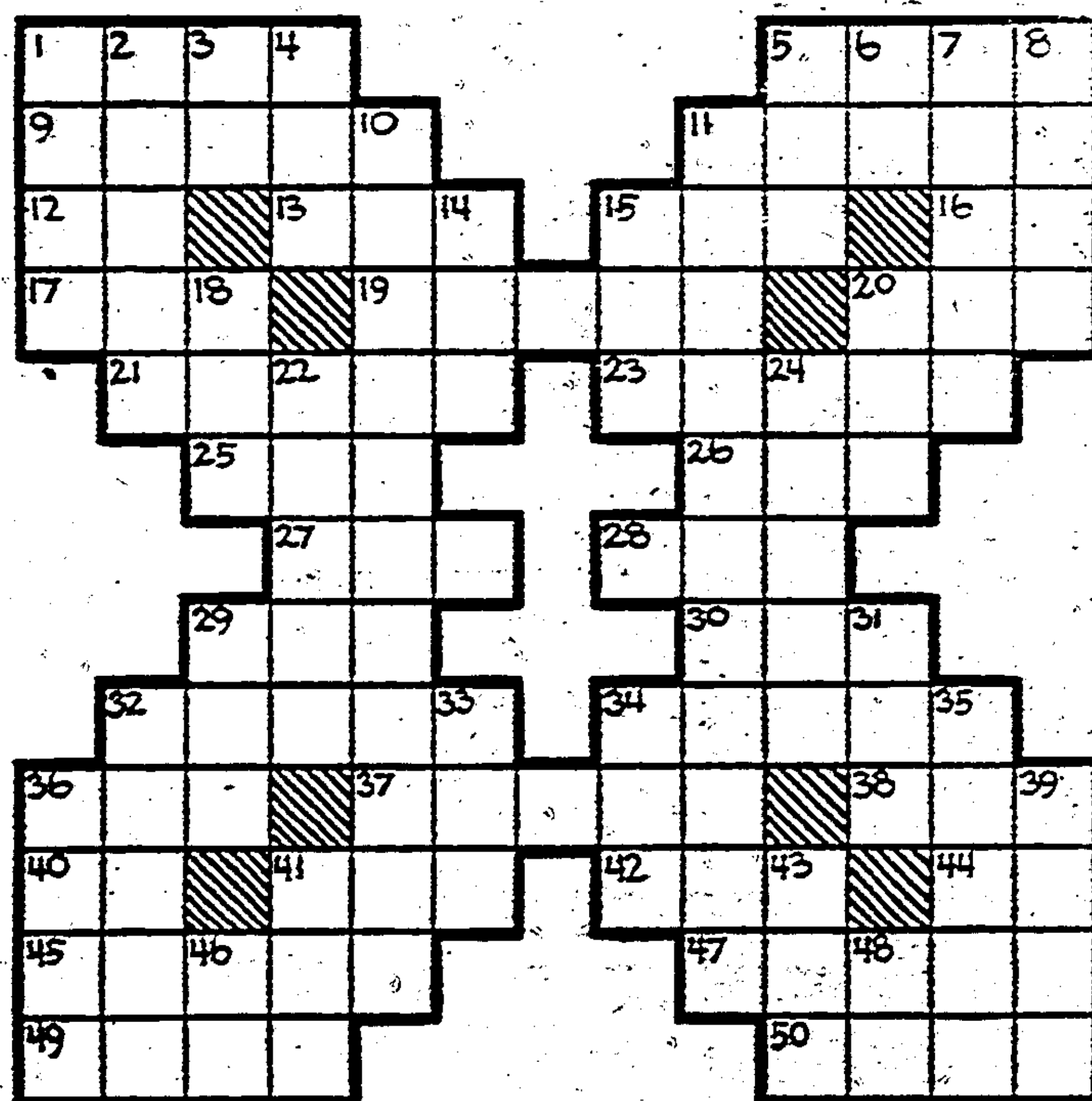
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Beach
5-An insect
9-A drug plant (pl.)
11-Pertaining to punishment
12-Pronoun
13-Recent
15-Article of furniture
18-A college degree (abbr.)
17-Half a score
19-Small candle
20-Portion
21-Leases
23-Dogma
25-Combining form. Par
26-Cut off the edges, as a coin
27-Infirmary
28-An insect
29-To shut in
31-Suffix denoting a collection

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

32-Employed
34-Reveals
35-A dandy
37-Unique
38-Mineral spring
40-Near by
41-Attorney (abbr.)
42-A shade tree
44-I had (contr.)
45-Bird homes
47-Product
49-Plum-like fruit
50-Troubles

VERTICAL

1-To harass
2-Change the form of
3-Negative
4-To know
5-Marry
6-Indefinite article
7-French peasant's wooden shoe

VERTICAL (Cont.)

8-Small piece of ground
10-Colonized regions
11-Without ceasing
14-Existed
15-A wager
18-Snare
20-Support
22-Not at any time
24-Salt-peter
25-Bone of the body
31-Residence (abbr.)
32-Tavern
33-Speck
34-Insect
35-Waste over
36-Stimulates
39-Augments
41-Consumed
43-One thousand two
46-Very
48-The (Sp.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

SUBMARINE JUNK MASSACRE

Official Commission Of Inquiry Appointed To-Day

JAPANESE MARTIAL LAW IN NORTH

Tientsin, To-day.
The Japanese military authorities have promulgated a law in the Tientsin and Peiping areas and other places in North China under Japanese military occupation, by which persons allegedly found guilty of espionage and traitorous actions will be sentenced to death, imprisonment, deportation or fined, according to the degree of the offence. — Reuter.

GIANTS HIT FOR A LILLIPUTIAN

New York, To-day.

The New York Yankees secured their third straight victory over the New York Giants in the World Series yesterday by 5 runs to 1, the outstanding feature of the game being Pearson's pitching. He did not allow a single hit until the fifth inning, but slackened down his pace in the seventh, offering two hits. He appeared to go to pieces completely in the ninth inning when he walked two men and allowed one hit. He was taken out of the box and replaced by Murphy.

The attendance was the most disappointing of the three days, only 37,385 spectators being present in fine, but colder weather.

Detailed scores were:

New York Yankees ... 5 9 0
Schumacher pitched.

New York Giants 1 5 4
Pearson pitched.

THREE ERRORS

In the fifth inning the Yankees secured a clear lead of 5 runs when McCarthy made two errors in one play and Chiozza kicked the ball for a third error giving the Yankees an unearned run.

After Schumacher had been tagged for nine hits including two doubles by Wolfe and a slashing triple by Dickey, Melton relieved him in the seventh and eighth and Brennan came in on the ninth, neither allowing the Yankees a single hit.

For the Yankees Tony Lazzeri, Dickey, Bob Selkirk, Rolfe and Gehrig scored runs, while the Giants secured their lone run when McCarthy brought Ripple in with a double.

TO-DAY'S GAME

The pitchers for to-day's game will be Hadley for the Yankees and Carl Hubbell for the Giants. — Reuter.

The Yankees won the first two encounters, both by scores of 8 runs to 1.

CHIEF JUSTICE CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF THREE

An official Commission of Inquiry has been appointed to investigate the submarine junk massacre of September 22 by H.E. the Officer Administering the Governor.

The proclamation announcing the appointment of the Commission says, in part:

Whereas I with the advice and consent of the Executive Council have deemed it advisable that a Commission be appointed to enquire into and to establish the facts in relation to the alleged sinking of certain fishing junks the survivors of which were brought into Hong Kong on board the S.S. "Scharnhorst" and S.S. "Kaying."

Now I with the advice and consent of the Executive Council hereby nominate and appoint

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And I do further require the said Commissioners to report to the Governor in Council their findings in the matter of the said enquiry at as early a date as possible.

PRESENTATION TO MASTER OF SOOCHOW

Tokyo, To-day.

The aide-de-camp of the Navy Minister called at the British Embassy yesterday and handed to the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, an artistic bronze and silver ornament of Japanese workmanship engraved "To the Captain of the S.S. Soochow in commemoration of his rescue of Japanese airmen off Amoy on September 27—Admiral Yamai, Navy Minister."

The aide-de-camp requested the Ambassador to transmit the presentation to the Captain. — Reuter.

CHENGTINGFU FALL CLAIMED BY JAPAN

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese troops advancing southward along the Peiping-Hankow Railway launched a general attack on strong Chinese positions at Chengting yesterday morning after routing the Chinese left flank just before dark the day before, according to the Japanese military authorities.

After a half hour's fighting the Japanese claim to have occupied a corner of the walls, and the north and east gates.

The Japanese estimate the Chinese strength at 20 divisions, and state that the line extends 90 miles along the south bank of the deep Huto River to Shentze.

Japanese planes yesterday bombed a bridge over the Sha River, 14 miles south of Shihchiachwang. — Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIM CHENGTING'S FALL

Tientsin, To-day.

Japanese military headquarters claim the capture of Chengtingfu after Japanese troops had crossed the Huto River and had captured Pingshan, which success outflanked the defenders of Chengtingfu.

The advance brings the Japanese troops within striking distance of the Chengtai Railway and Hiangtzekuan Pass leading into Shansi. — Reuter.

H.K. SOCCER FIELD FATALITY

Wong Shek-ping, well-known Eastern Football Club full back, formerly with Chinese Athletic, died in the Queen Mary Hospital this morning as the result of an injury received on the field of play last Saturday.

The accident occurred during the match between Eastern and the Police. Wong Shek-ping was struck in the groin by the ball, ran a few yards and collapsed. He was given medical attention at the pavilion and then sent to hospital.

The injury proved more serious than expected and he passed away to-day.

Fatalities on the soccer field are extremely rare and by this type of accident rarer still. It is believed to be the first case in the history of Hong Kong soccer.

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